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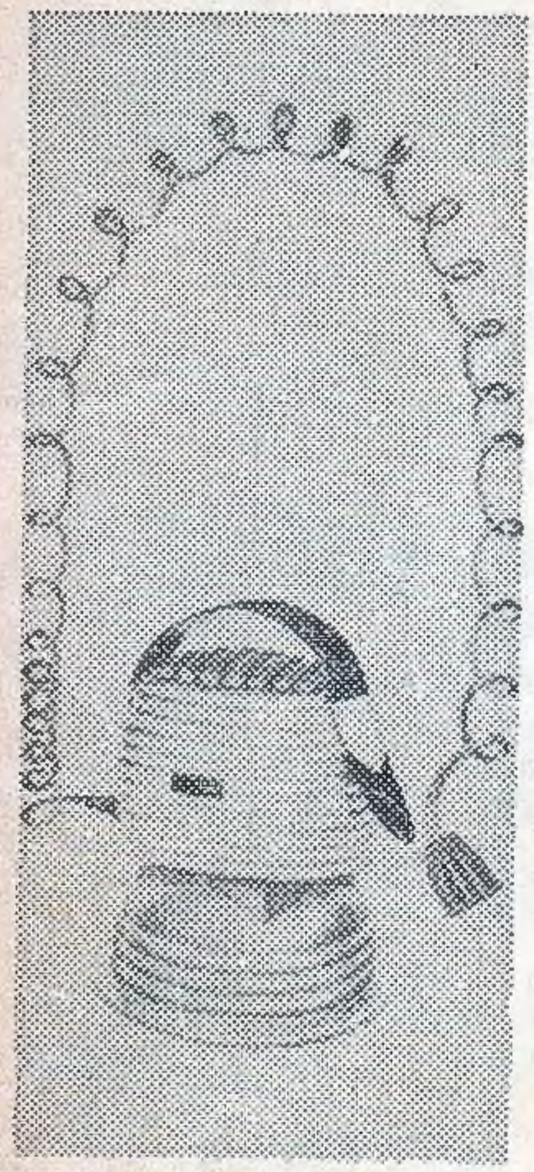

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THE COUNTESS IS A... COMMIE

STARRING DOUG GRANT SECRET AGENT

GET DOWN, COUNTESS! THOSE RED PALS OF YOURS DON'T CARE WHO GETS KILLED!...FRIEND OR FOE!

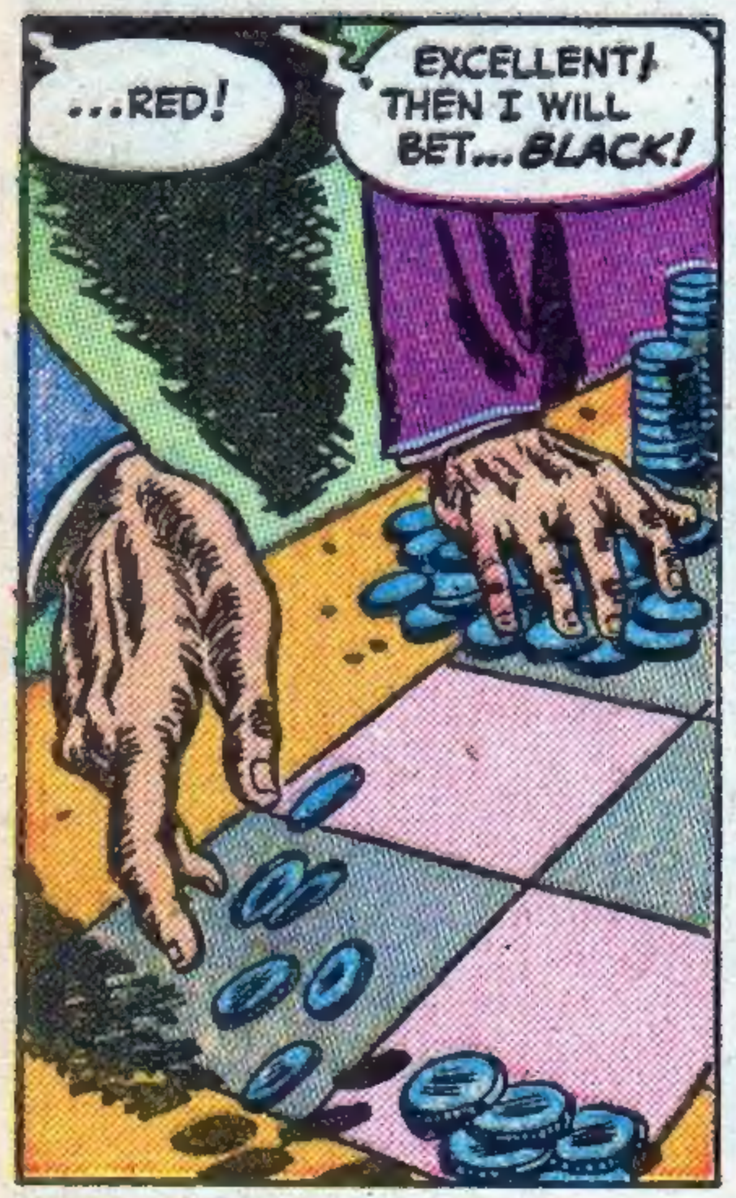
ALL LIFE IS A GAMBLE, SO WHY NOT THE GAME OF INTERNATIONAL INTRIGUE? AS I RECKLESSLY PLACED MY BETS, I KNEW THAT DESPITE ANY LUCK THE WHEEL MIGHT BRING ME, THERE WERE SOME SPECTATORS WHO WERE PLANNING TO MAKE ME THE DEADEST ESPIONAGE AGENT ON THE ITALIAN RIVIERA!

50,000 LIRE ON ODD!

50,000 LIRE ON *EVEN*!... THE AMERICAN'S LUCK IS SO POOR, TO BET AGAINST HIM IS A GUARANTEE OF WINNING!

ARE YOU SO SURE I'LL ALWAYS LOSE?
YOU ARE RECKLESS, SIGNOR! A RECKLESS MAN NEVER WINS IN THE END!

22! EVEN!
YOU SEE? MY INSTINCT IS CORRECT! HOW DO YOU BET AS TO...COLOR?
THERE IS ONLY ONE COLOR TO BET ON...

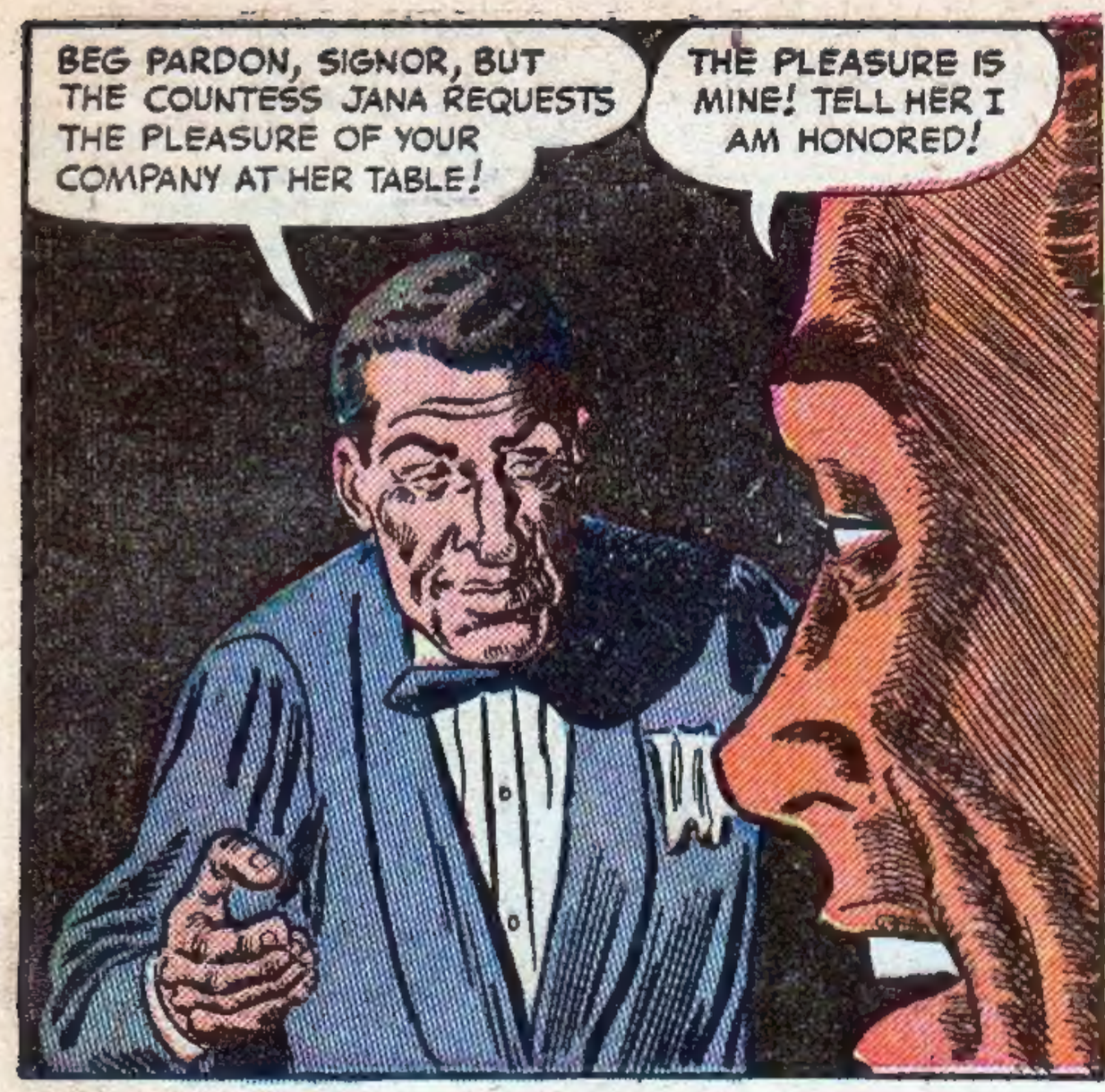

...RED!
EXCELLENT! THEN I WILL BET...BLACK!

BLACK!
HA! I WIN AGAIN! THE AMERICAN'S MISFORTUNE IS MY GOOD LUCK!
IT TAKES VERY LITTLE TO MAKE YOU HAPPY, SIGNOR! YOU HAVE WON NOTHING BUT MONEY!

I WENT TO THE BAR WHERE COLONEL VICENTI OF THE ITALIAN SECRET SERVICE AWAITED ME! I SOUGHT VICENTI'S OPINION OF THE IMPRESSION I HAD MADE...
SO FAR SO GOOD, SIGNOR GRANT! YOU HAVE CARRIED OVER THE IMPRESSION OF A MILLIONAIRE PLAYBOY, JADED AND THRILL-SEEKING!
WHAT ABOUT THE SPY RING?

WHO KNOWS? WE DON'T KNOW WHO THEY ARE... SO HOW CAN WE PREDICT THEIR REACTIONS? AN AMERICAN WHO IS BORED WITH MONEY, WHO CRAVES EXCITEMENT SHOULD INTEREST THEM!
THAT FELLOW WHO BET AGAINST ME... THERE IS SOMETHING VICIOUS ABOUT HIM! HE IS NO ORDINARY MAN ABOUT THE WORLD! I CAN ACTUALLY SMELL THE EVIL IN HIM!

YOU MAY THINK THIS ABSURD, BUT WITH MY ESPIONAGE EXPERIENCE, THERE'S A PSYCHOLOGICAL GEIGER COUNTER INSIDE ME THAT STARTS TICKING AWAY VIOLENTLY WHENEVER I AM IN THE PRESENCE OF A RED!
QUIET! SOMEONE APPROACHES! ONE OF THE MEN FROM THE ROULETTE TABLE!

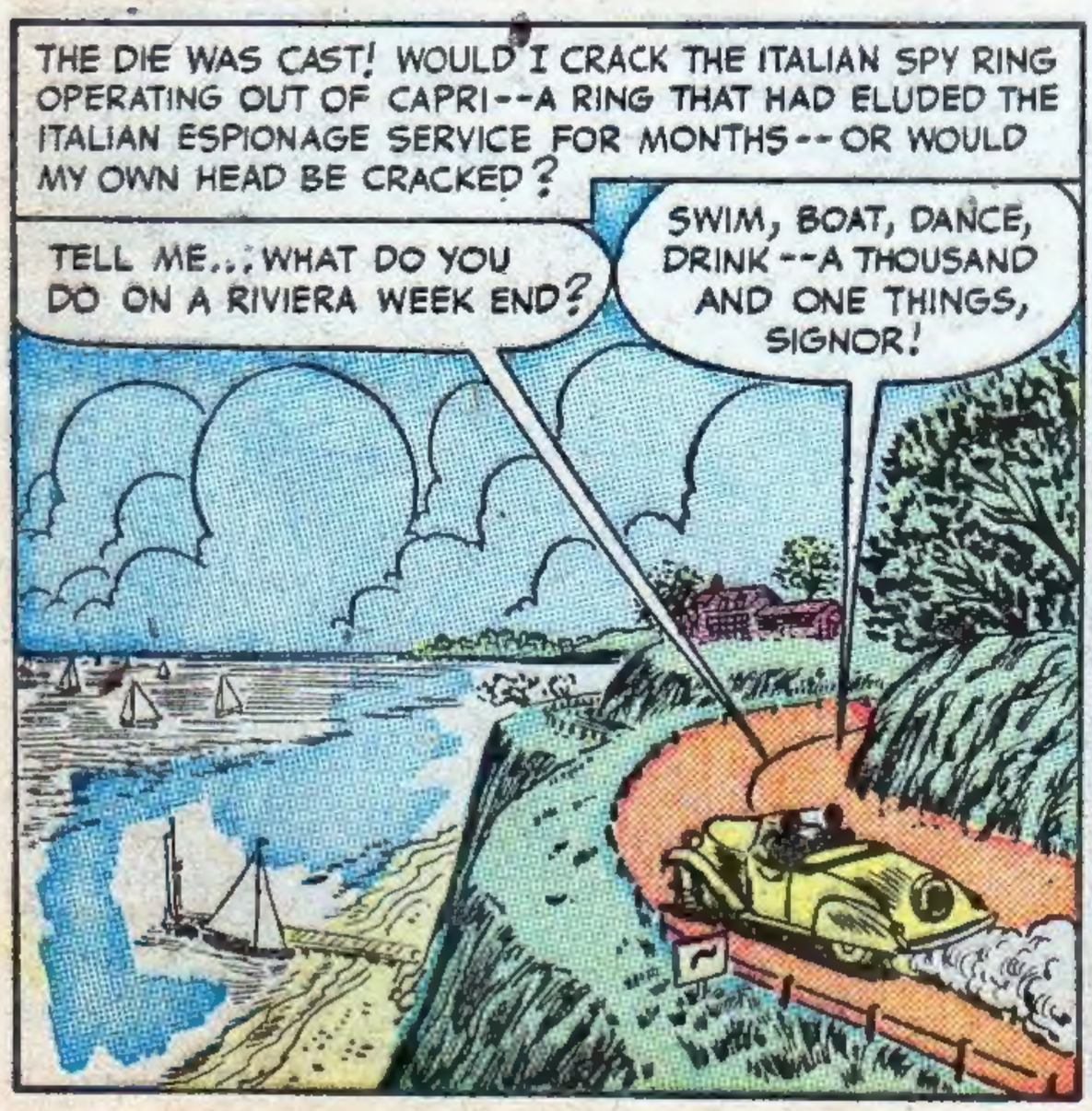

BEG PARDON, SIGNOR, BUT THE COUNTESS JANA REQUESTS THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY AT HER TABLE!
THE PLEASURE IS MINE! TELL HER I AM HONORED!

LOOKS LIKE I MADE A HIT WITH YOUR ITALIAN RIVIERA SOCIETY, VICENTI!
A HIT TODAY, A VICTIM TOMORROW! BE CAREFUL, GRANT! THE DEVIL TAKES MANY SHAPES!... EVEN THE DIVINE SHAPE OF A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN!

THERE WAS NO DENYING THE LOVELINESS OF THE COUNTESS JANA! NOR ANY AVOIDING THE TREMOR OF EXCITEMENT THAT SEIZED ME AS I BENT OVER HER HAND...
SO! YOU HAVE THE GRAND MANNER WITH THE LADIES AS WELL AS THE ROULETTE WHEEL!
ON THE CONTRARY, COUNTESS! THE WHEEL IS UGLY AND TREACHEROUS... AND THEREFORE UNADMIRABLE! I ABHOR THE WHEEL! BUT I WORSHIP BEAUTY!

AND I WORSHIP VITALITY, POWER, UNIQUENESS! ANY MAN WHO CAN LOSE AS MUCH MONEY AS YOU DID WITHOUT BLINKING AN EYE INTERESTS ME STRONGLY! YOU ARE ALONE IN CAPRI, SIGNOR?
I WAS ALONE, COUNTESS! NOT NOW!

I AM HAVING A HOUSE PARTY AT MY VILLA! I WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH IF YOU COULD ATTEND THIS WEEK END!
THANK YOU! A TOAST--TO A MOST EXCITING WEEK END!


THE DIE WAS CAST! WOULD I CRACK THE ITALIAN SPY RING OPERATING OUT OF CAPRI--A RING THAT HAD ELUDED THE ITALIAN ESPIONAGE SERVICE FOR MONTHS--OR WOULD MY OWN HEAD BE CRACKED?
TELL ME... WHAT DO YOU DO ON A RIVIERA WEEK END?
SWIM, BOAT, DANCE, DRINK--A THOUSAND AND ONE THINGS, SIGNOR!

TAKE SIGNOR GUIDO! HE LOVES TO SAIL AT NIGHT! HE WILL GO OFF FOR HOURS--COME BACK AT DAWN! A DANGEROUS SPORT! ONE CAN ALWAYS RUN INTO TROUBLE AT SEA!
THAT PSYCHIC GEIGER COUNTER INSIDE ME IS WORKING OVERTIME! GUIDO AND HIS MUSCLE-MEN... THEY'RE GIVING OFF THE UNMISTAKABLE STENCH OF... COMMUNISM!

PERHAPS IT WAS THE SLY WAY THEY SMILED, THEIR SHIFTY EYES, THEIR SNEERS! SPORT LOVERS AND FUN LOVERS ARE NATURALLY LIGHT-HEARTED AND FRIENDLY! THESE CHARACTERS STARED AT ME WITH HOSTILITY, ANGER, SUSPICION!

AN EXCELLENT DIVE! NOW HOW ABOUT SOME SPEED-BOAT RACING?

LATER, PERHAPS! RIGHT NOW I WANT TO SIESTA! THIS NIGHT LIFE HAS BEEN KNOCKING ME OUT!

I WANTED A LOOK AROUND THE VILLA, TO LEARN MY GROUND! QUITE BY ACCIDENT, I STUMBLED OVER THE CLUE OF CLUES...

THE CROUPIER AT THE CASINO! HE'S HERE... WITH HER!

ARRIVERDERCI, SIGNOR! THE BEST OF LUCK IN THE HUNT!

I LEFT THE HOUSE BEFORE HIM AND WENT TO WORK...

HE'S BEEN BUSY PUTTING OBSTACLES IN MY PATH! I'LL ROLL A FEW INTO HIS!

THEN I SAT DOWN AND WAITED... I DIDN'T HAVE LONG TO WAIT!

(GASP!) Y-YOU!

YOU'VE GOT SOME TALL EXPLAINING TO DO, CHUM! YOU'RE COLONEL VICENTI'S TOP ESPIONAGE AIDE! YOU KNEW MY MISSION HERE! YOU RIGGED THE WHEEL TO HELP ME MAKE AN IMPRESSION AT THE CASINO! YET YOU'RE *HERE! WHY?*

I-I CAME TO SEE HOW YOU WERE DOING! IF YOU NEEDED HELP... I...

YOU'RE LYING! YOU TOLD GUIDO WHO I WAS! THEY INVITED ME HERE TO *MURDER* ME! YOU'VE BEEN SELLING OUT TO THE REDS! YOU'RE THE LEAK IN VICENTI'S APPARATUS!

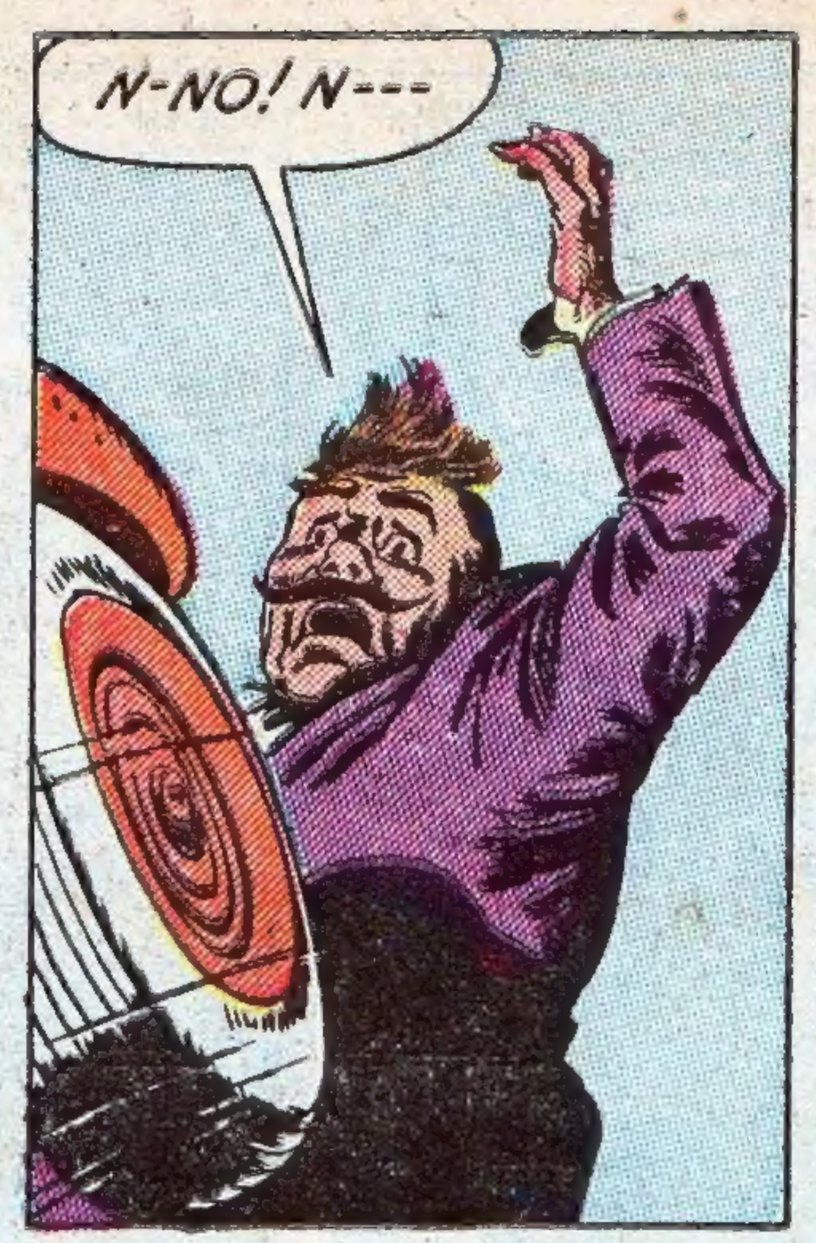
CURSE YOU! WE NEEDN'T WAIT TILL TONIGHT TO KILL YOU! I'LL DO IT *MYSELF! NOW!*

OHHHHH!

T-THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY OUT!

BANG! BANG!

W-WAIT!
WHUMMP!


N-NO! N---

Y!!!!!!!!!!!

NOW I SEE WHY THE COUNTESS PAID SO MUCH ATTENTION TO ME! THE CROUPIER TIPPED THEM OFF AND THEY'RE KILL-HUNGRY! OKAY... WE'LL BEAT THEM AT THEIR OWN GAME!

THAT NIGHT, GUIDO INVITED ME TO GO SAILBOATING WITH HIM!
NOT TONIGHT, GUIDO! TOMORROW! I'VE GOT A SPLITTING HEAD! TOO MUCH DRINK!
AS YOU PLEASE! I SHALL GO MYSELF!

I FIXED UP SOME BEDCLOTHES TO SIMULATE A DUMMY AND TURNED IN EARLY! SURE ENOUGH, GUIDO'S PLAYMATES SHOWED UP...
NOW TO SNEAK DOWN TO THE BOATHOUSE AND PLAY STOWAWAY!
HE IS ASLEEP! TELL GUIDO IT'S OKAY!

LUCK WAS WITH ME! I CRAWLED UNDER SOME TARPAULINS AND AN HOUR LATER WE WERE RUNNING UNDER A BRISK WIND DUE SOUTH...
ONE THING IS SURE! GUIDO ISN'T OUT HERE FOR FUN! HMMM... WE'RE SLOWING DOWN!

GOOD REASON! A RED SUBMARINE SHOVED ITS UGLY PROW ABOVE THE SURFACE! SIGNAL LIGHTS BLINKED AND WE DREW UP ALONGSIDE...

THE PATTERN BECAME CLEAR! GUIDO'S NOCTURNAL SAILBOATINGS WERE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING RED SUBS AT SEA AND BRINGING IN AGENTS, GUNS, MONEY AND PROPAGANDA!

YOU'LL HAVE TO MAKE ANOTHER TRIP, GUIDO! WE HAVE A VAST SHIPMENT OF ARMS FOR YOU TO DELIVER TO THE UNDERGROUND!

WE'LL BE BACK AT 2 A.M., GRUKOV... AS FOR THE $2,000,000 IN AMERICAN MONEY...WHAT IS ITS PURPOSE?

THE USUAL THING! DISTRIBUTION TO OUR SPIES AND AGENTS... TO BUY SECRETS, TO CORRUPT OFFICIALS! THE COUNTESS HAS A LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS INSIDE THE MONEY LOCKER!

VERY GOOD, GRUKOV! WE SHALL MEET AGAIN AT 2 A.M.!

I WAITED TWENTY MINUTES! THEN I CAME OUT...

(GASP!) H-HE IS *NOT* ASLEEP!

AN ASTUTE OBSERVATION, GUIDO! ALSO NOTICE THE *GUN* IN MY HAND! STAND STILL!

NO! NO! *FIGHT!*

FIGHT... AND *DIE!*

YOU WIN, GRANT! WHAT DO YOU WANT OF US?

FORTY MINUTES LATER WE WERE BACK AT THE VILLA...

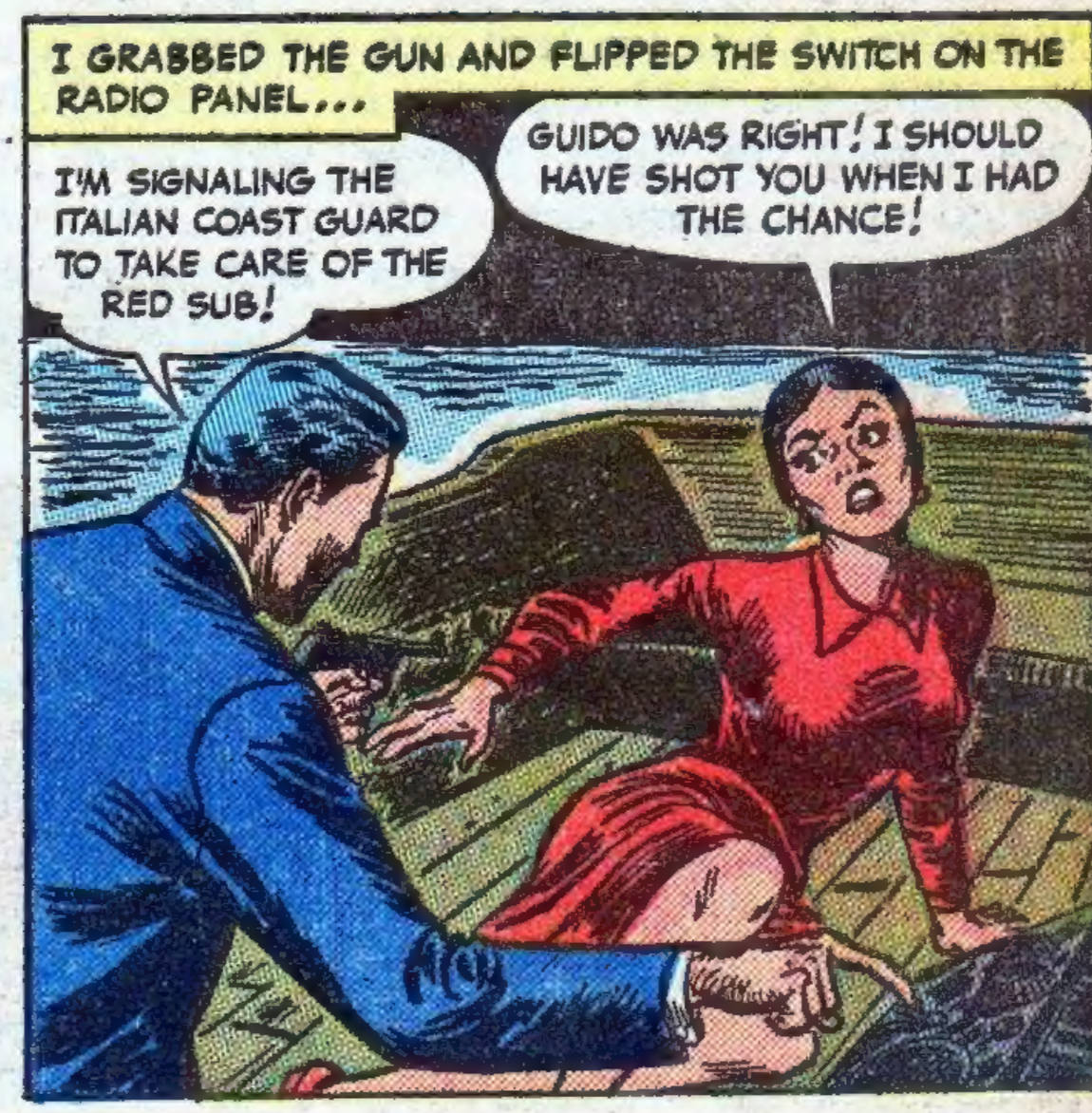
COME OUT...QUIETLY... ONE BY ONE...YOUR HANDS UP HIGH!

HOLD STILL, GRANT! YOU HAVE GIVEN YOUR LAST ORDER!

DROP IT OR I KILL YOU!

EXCELLENT WORK, MY DEAR...BUT GRANT *ME* THE PLEASURE OF PUTTING A BULLET IN HIM!

NEVER MIND! *I'M* IN CHARGE OF THIS GROUP! I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM IN MY OWN WAY! YOU BUSY YOURSELF WITH UNLOADING THE SHIPMENT!



ATLAS FOR THE BEST IN WAR TALES LOOK FOR THE ATLAS SEAL ON THE COVER! ATLAS

SPY JUSTICE

THE UN soldier in the foxhole outside the South Korean village of Wengjan heard the snapping of a bough. Instantly he came wide awake; his head, nodding after a papatrol of seven hours, snapping up and over the edge of the one-man trench.

Then he saw the creeping mass of men coming down from the hills, heard the click of the metal of guns on small stones. He knew that guerillas infested the woods outside of Wengjan. It was for that reason that the UN command was forced to keep patrols posted at its every approach.

Private Jim Solan's eyes went wide in astonishment.

Previously, the guerillas, scattered fanatics with whom the local population had no sympathy had resorted to any kind of weapons — stolen scythes, sickles, steel pipe from farm implements, even an occasional old blunderbuss from the middle of the last century. And with such weapons they had failed. Only guns and a concentrated attack would have had any real danger for the UN garrison of Wengjan, and the war prisoner camp behind it.

And now they had guns.

There was the click of metal and wood, the snick of bolts going back, the soft snip of bullets falling into firing chambers, to betray them. And there was also their plain outlines, a small forest of steel barrels waving up and down against the faint glow of the starlit horizon, as their owners bellied forward on the ground.

Jim Solan tightened his grip on his own gun. He knew it wasn't time to act yet. They outnumbered him twenty to one, but he knew he'd have to face whatever danger confronted him alone until twelve o'clock midnight. At midnight the relieving patrol would belly in. Then he could shout back and the patrol could carry the warning to the thin main lines situated in the encampment outside the prison yards. If he dared move now, he knew, they would simply rush him. Even a rifle shot might not be heard far back enough to create an alarm.

In front of him the decision was made.

A rifle cracked suddenly. Before the lip of the foxhole a skittering bullet kicked up a cloud of dirt. Solan fell back. An inch nearer and it might have creased his helmet. Two inches nearer, and . . .

He wondered, suddenly, what had made the commie guerillas so bold. Ordinarily they confined their operations to sabotage, or occasional sniping. But now, coming out into the open, with guns! He asked himself where the guns had come from. Dropped by parachute from low-flying Russian biplanes? He knew that couldn't be. The radarscopes at headquarters would have showed a blip, betraying the presence of the enemy plane—and they hadn't.

Another rifle cracked. Apparently, he decided, they knew where he was dug in. He swung his head round, popped it up for an instant to look for the relief. It was almost midnight.

Ahead of him the guerillas suddenly rose, with shouts and rushed forward. They came on, about a thousand feet away, guns firing.

Solan dropped his rifle on the edge of the foxhole and emptied a clip, then another. Two—three—four of the enemy dropped. The rest came on.

"Hi—soldier!"

The cry behind him made him stop, turn. He saw the relief crawling out over the edge of the last line of earthworks that marked the village's defenses, yelling to him.

"Tell 'em to open up!" Jim Solan shouted. Then he saw the relief turn, disappear back over the top of the earthwork, whirled to face the enemy.

Two more clips slowed them down. They were out in the open; he was covered. The ground around him hissed with skittering bullets. Most of them dropped, more cautious now.

A moment of silence passed. Then, with a shout, the enemy rose to their feet, came on again yelling.

Jim Solan braced for the shock.

Behind him he heard the first mortar go off; then a second; then a third and fourth. He tensed, waiting.

Three hundred feet in front of him the ground opened up suddenly like a red-hot volcano; the whine of the shells coming down merged with the explosions.

When they died away he shook the fallen dirt from his helmet, raised his head cautiously. A light flared, showing five guerillas in full retreat. They disappeared into the woods, leaving the others dead.

Jim Solan grinned. He pulled himself out of the foxhole, waited until the relief and a squad of other soldiers had

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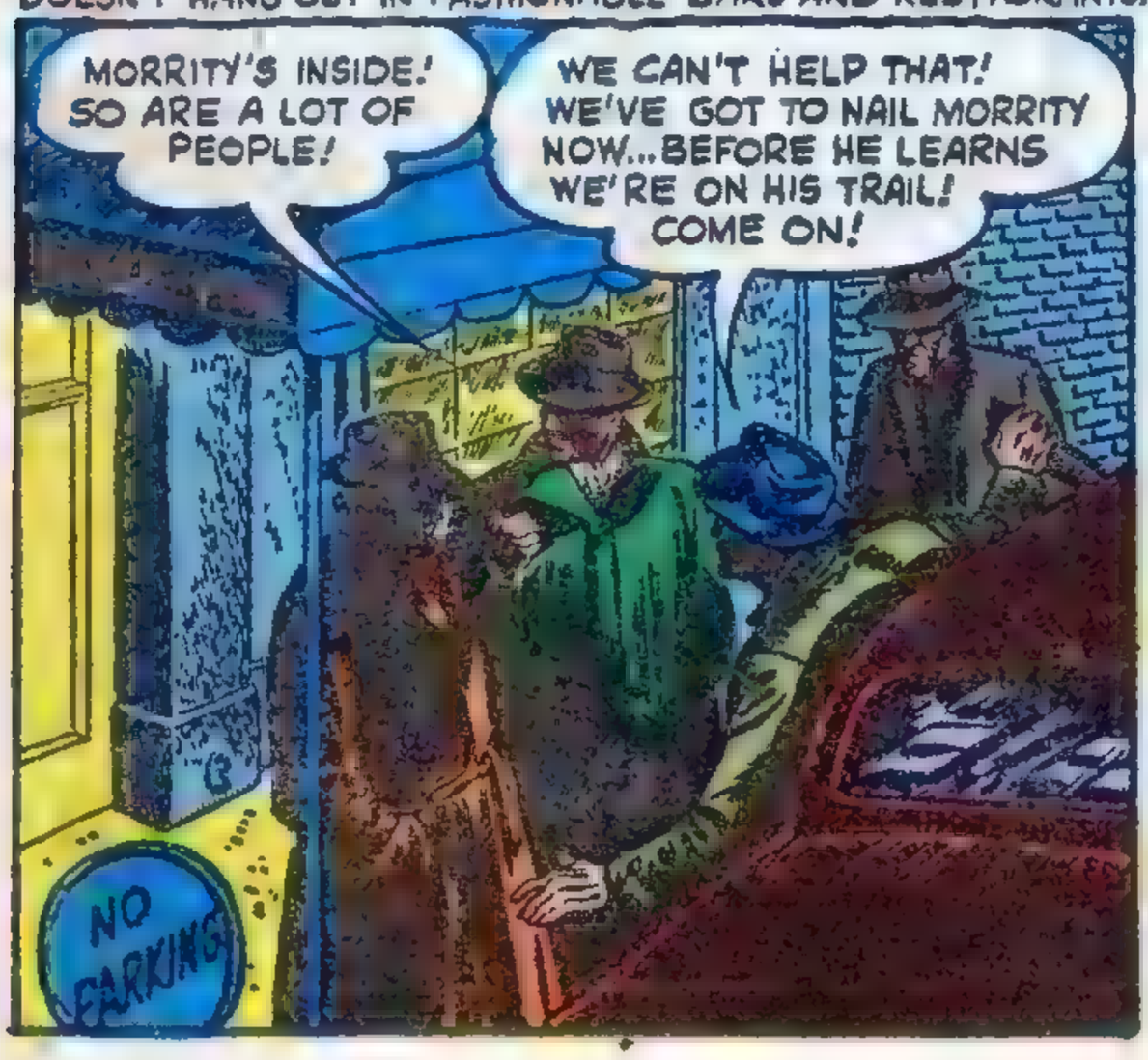
A RED IS MORE THAN A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY! HE IS A MAN WITHOUT A *LIFE!* A LIVING CORPSE WHO CAN MOVE IN ONLY ONE DIRECTION... *SIX FEET* DOWNWARD!

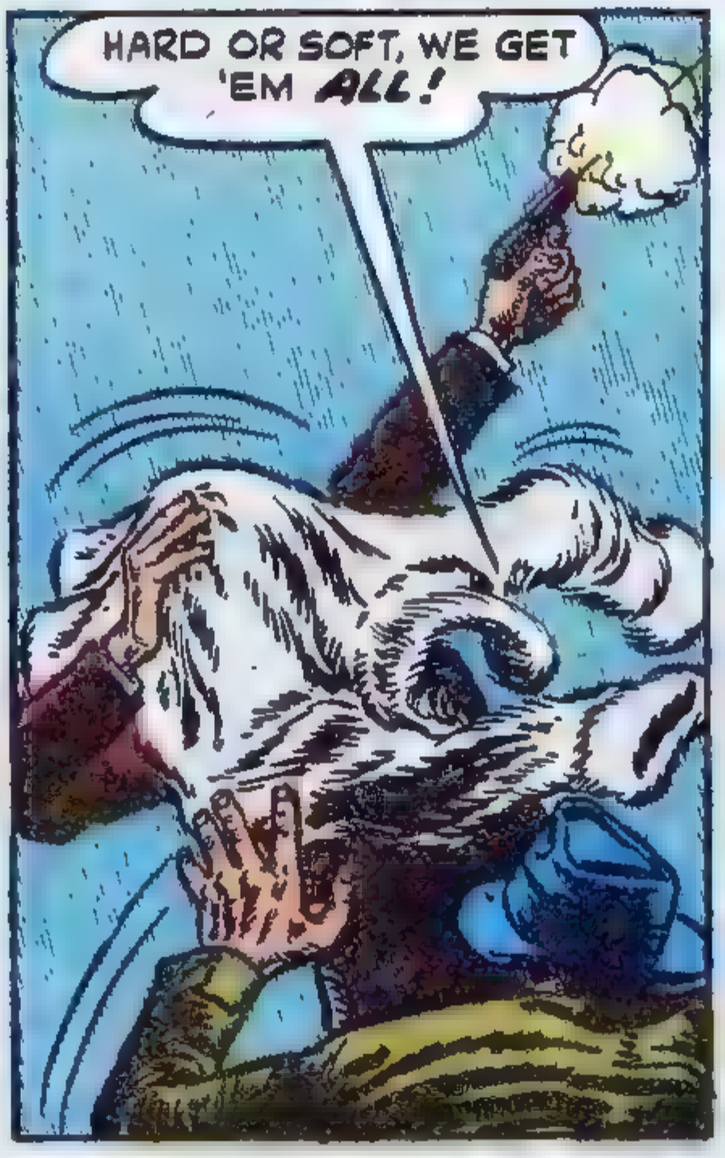
N-NO! YOU CAN'T *DO* THAT! Y-YOU CAN'T RELEASE ME, GRANT! D-DON'T TURN ME LOOSE! (GASP!)...THEY'LL *KILL ME!*

STARRING DOUG GRANT SECRET AGENT

BILL SAVAGE

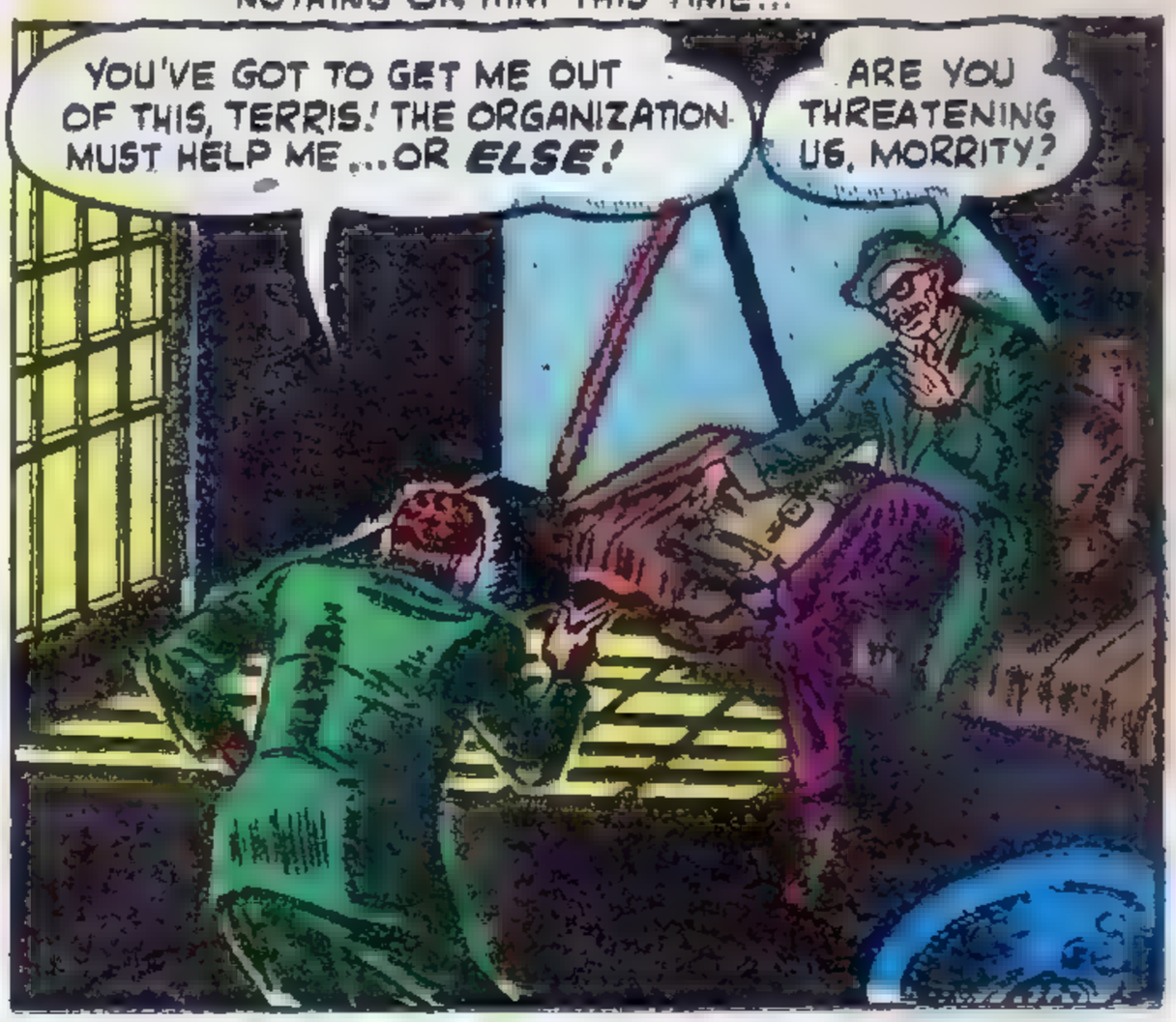
CORNERING THE HUMAN RAT IS NOT AS EASY AS TRAPPING THE FOUR-FOOTED SPECIES! THE TAILED RODENT, AS A RULE, DOESN'T HANG OUT IN FASHIONABLE BARS AND RESTAURANTS...

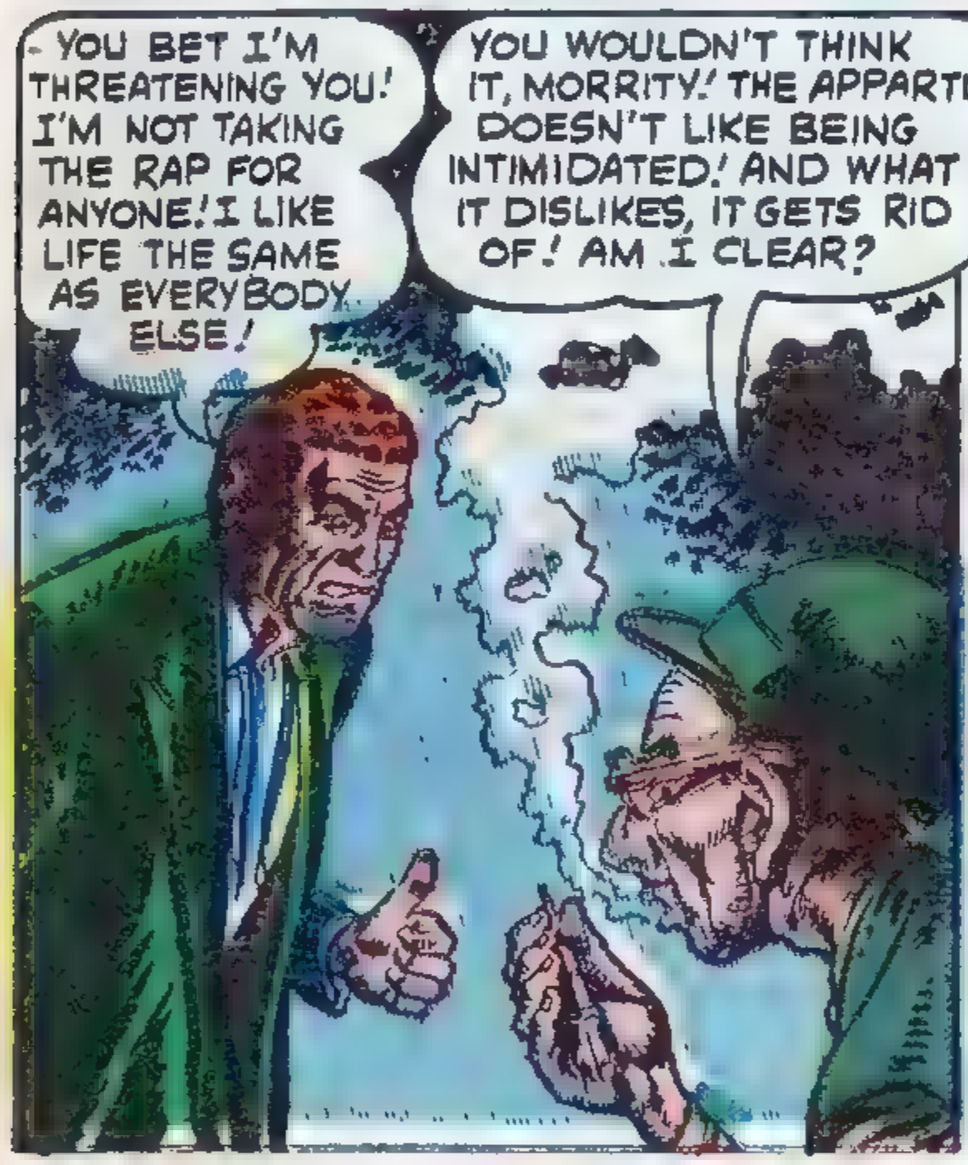




YOU MAY ASK WHY WE PICKED A BIG SHOWCASE FOR MORRITY'S ARREST! WE HAD OUR REASONS, AS YOU WILL SEE LATER...

AND SEND FOR MY LAWYER! IT'S MY RIGHT TO HAVE A LAWYER! I WANT MY LAWYER, YOU HEAR?
YOU'LL GET YOUR LAWYER, MORRITY... BUT HE CAN'T SAVE YOU! NOBODY CAN SAVE YOU... EXCEPT YOURSELF!


EARLY THAT MORNING, MORRITY HAD HIS LAWYER... ANOTHER MEMBER OF HIS ESPIONAGE RING... ALTHOUGH WE HAD NOTHING ON HIM THIS TIME...
YOU'VE GOT TO GET ME OUT OF THIS, TERRIS! THE ORGANIZATION MUST HELP ME... OR ELSE!
ARE YOU THREATENING US, MORRITY?


YOU BET I'M THREATENING YOU! I'M NOT TAKING THE RAP FOR ANYONE! I LIKE LIFE THE SAME AS EVERYBODY ELSE!
YOU WOULDN'T THINK IT, MORRITY! THE APPARTUS DOESN'T LIKE BEING INTIMIDATED! AND WHAT IT DISLIKES, IT GETS RID OF! AM I CLEAR?

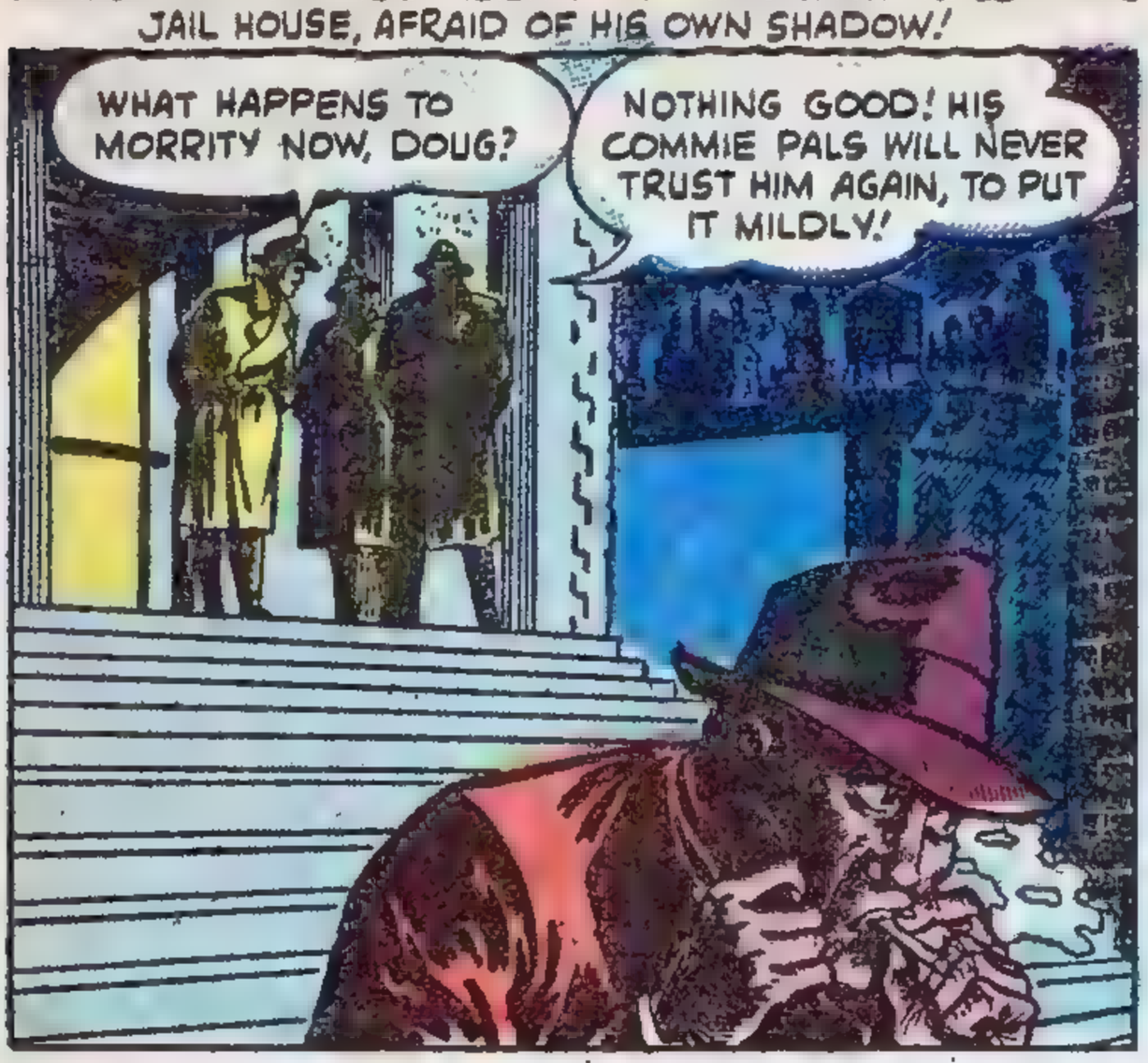
(GULP!) I-I DIDN'T SAY I'D SQUEAL, TERRIS!
YOU IMPLIED IT! GANGSTERS AND COMMUNISTS HAVE ONE THING IN COMMON, MORRITY! WE BOTH HATE SQUEALERS!

WE BOTH PLAY SAFE BY GRINDING OUT A DOUBLE-CROSSER WITH NO MORE FEELING THAN IT TAKES TO GRIND OUT A CIGARETTE BUTT!

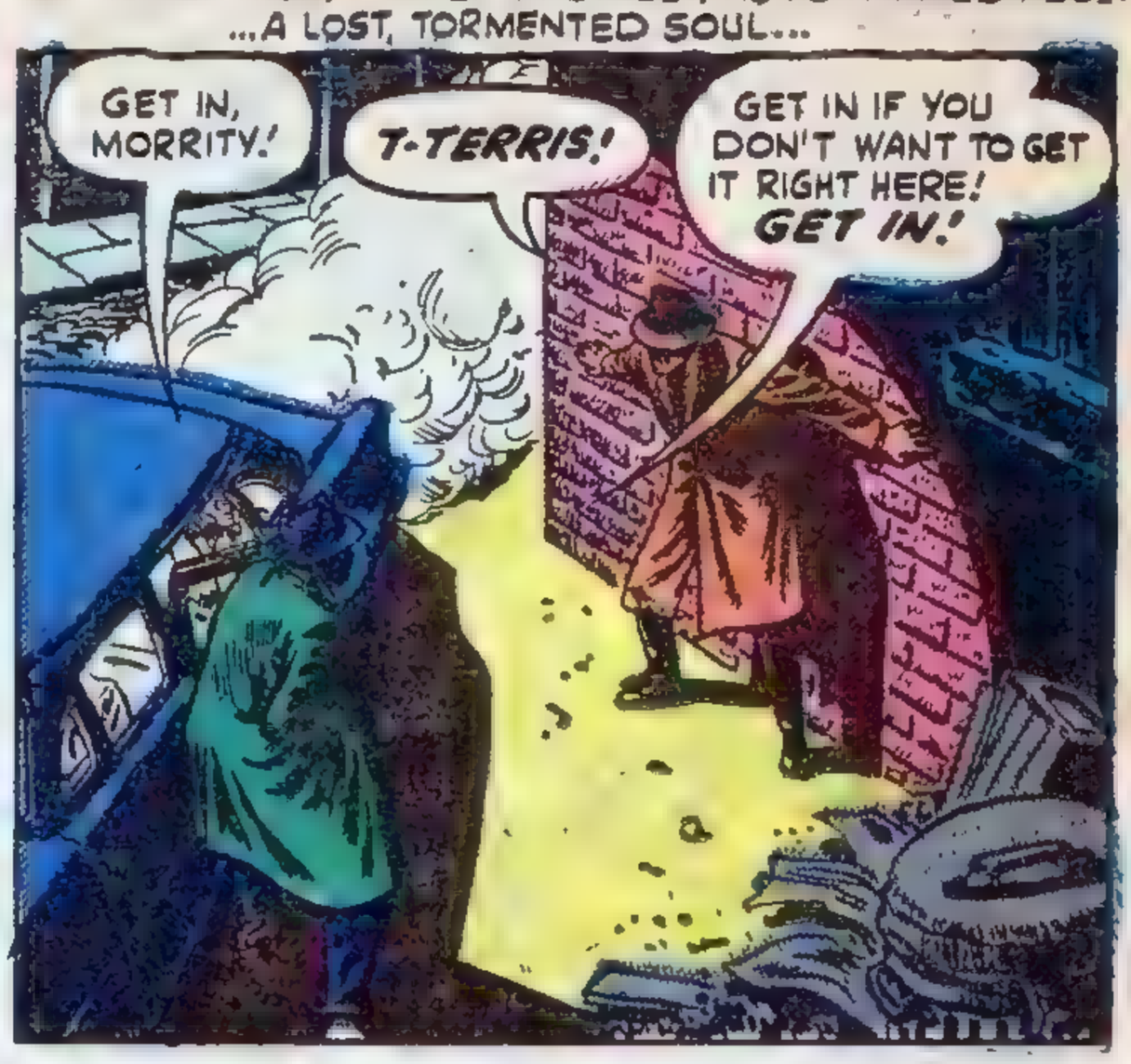
Y-YOU MUSTN'T TELL THEM I'LL SQUEAL, TERRIS! (GASP!) ...I WON'T! I-I JUST NEED HELP, TERRIS! HELP!
DON'T EXCITE YOURSELF, MORRITY! ...I UNDERSTAND... PERFECTLY!

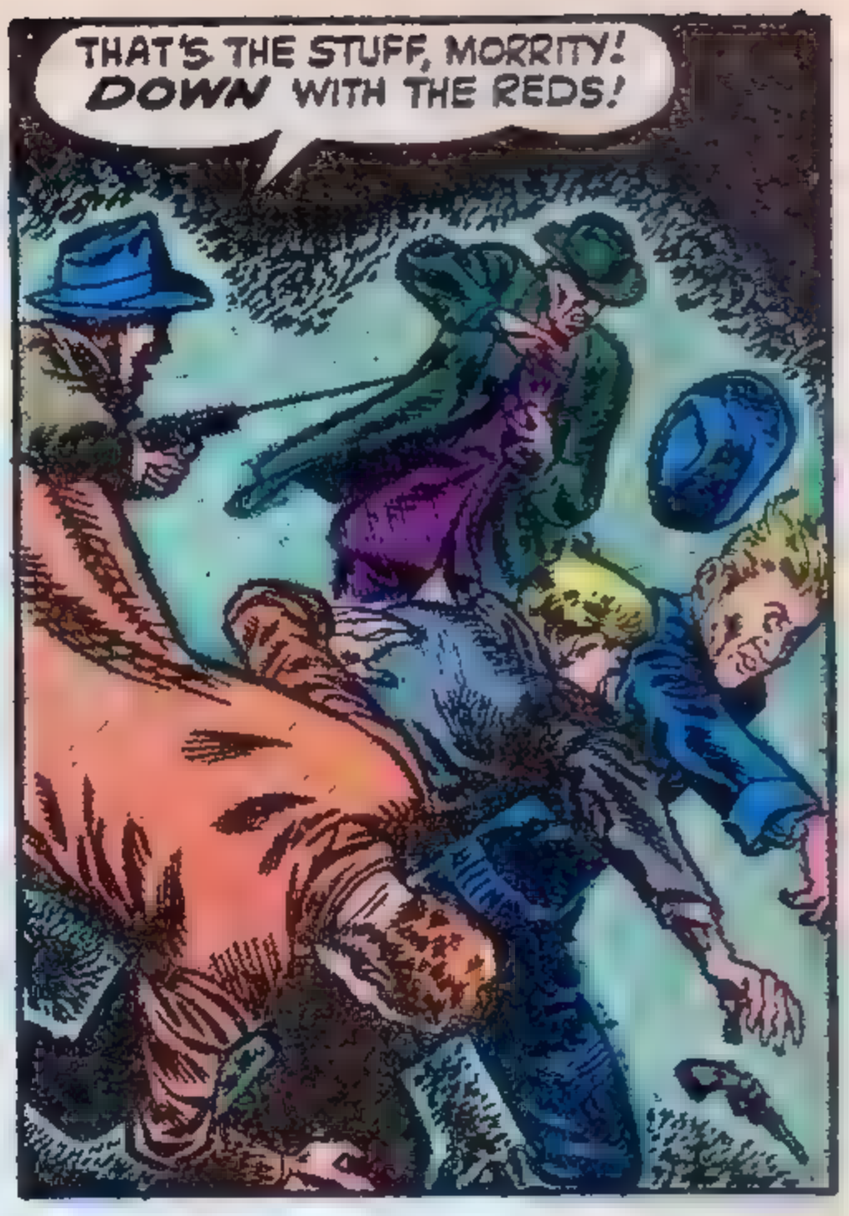
THAT NIGHT, I GAVE MORRITY HIS WALKING PAPERS! YOU'D THINK I WAS SENTENCING HIM TO DEATH, THE WAY HE HUNG BACK...
N-NO, GRANT! TRY ME! I DON'T CARE! J-JUST LET ME STAY! I WANT TO STAY!
BUT WE HAVE NO GROUNDS FOR DETAINING YOU, MORRITY! A MISTAKE'S BEEN MADE! YOU'RE FREE AS THE BREEZE! TAKE OFF!

MORRITY PROTESTED! BUT PROTESTS DIDN'T HELP! OUR EVIDENCE AGAINST HIM WAS INSUFFICIENT! THAT WAS THAT! HE LEFT THE JAIL HOUSE, AFRAID OF HIS OWN SHADOW!

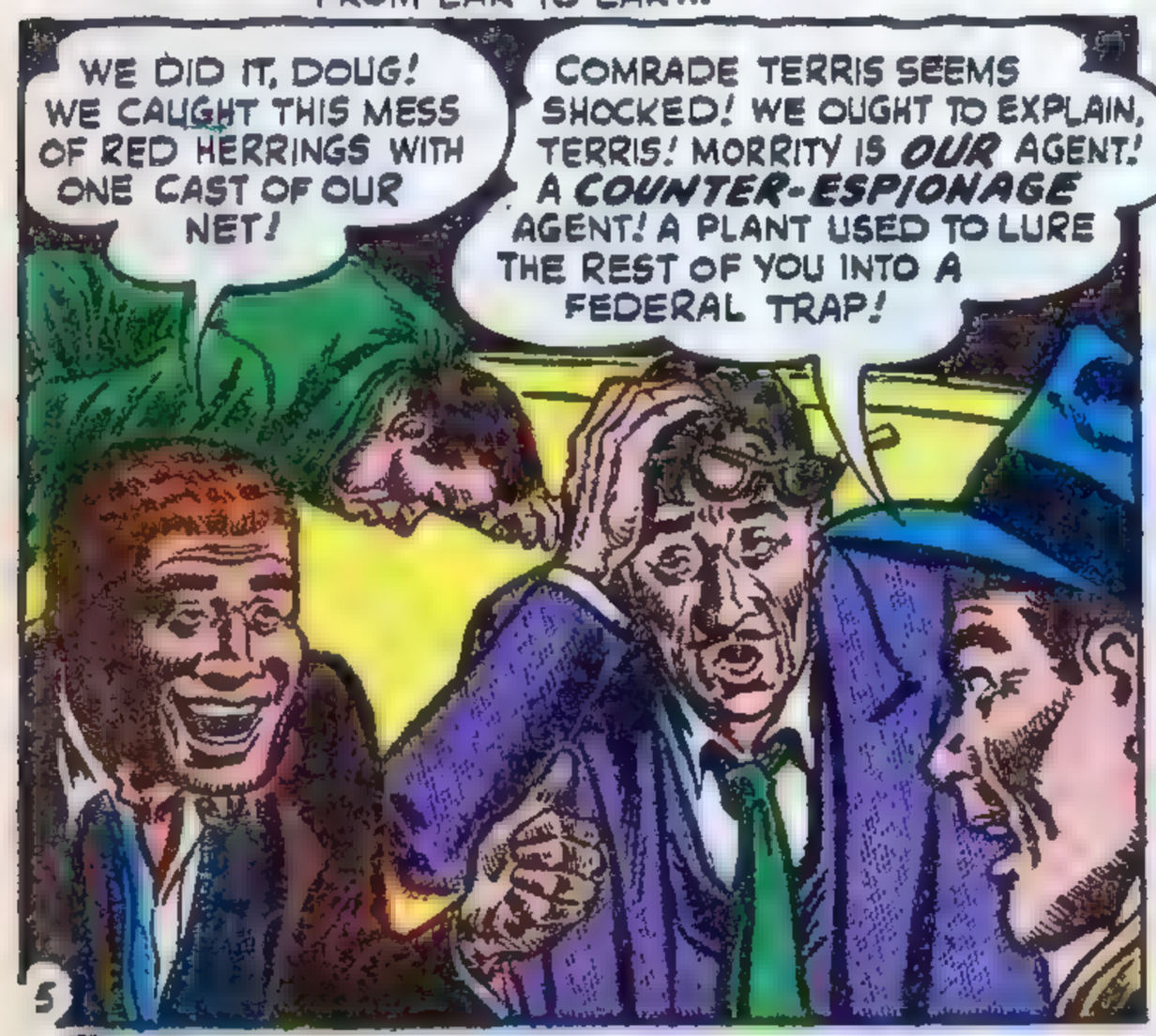


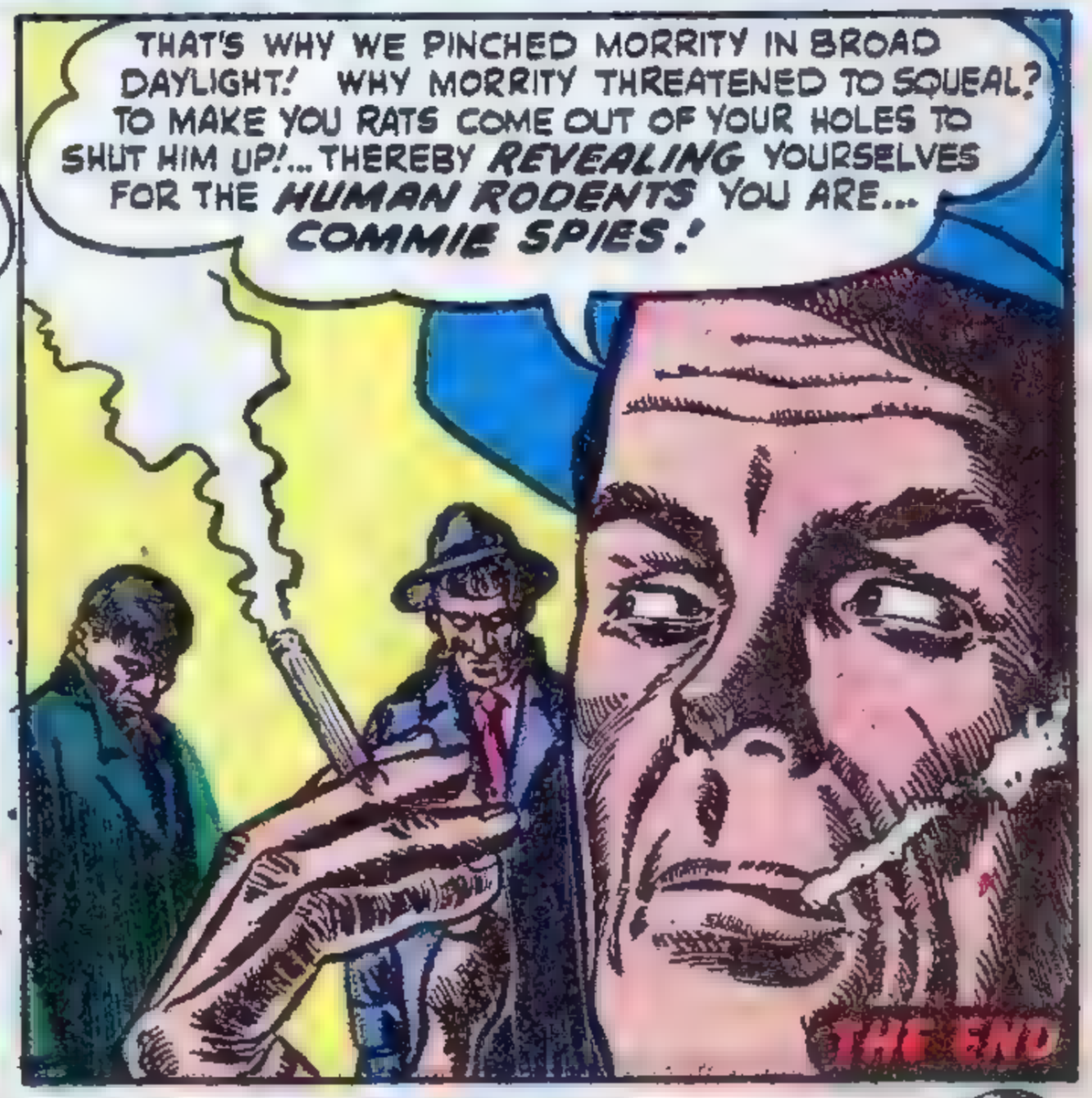
FOR TWO HOURS, MORRITY WALKED THE STREETS, AFRAID TO GO HOME! THEN, ON A DARK STREET, AS HE ROAMED ABOUT ...A LOST, TORMENTED SOUL...





I TURNED MY ATTENTION TO MORRITY, WHO WAS GRINNING FROM EAR TO EAR...





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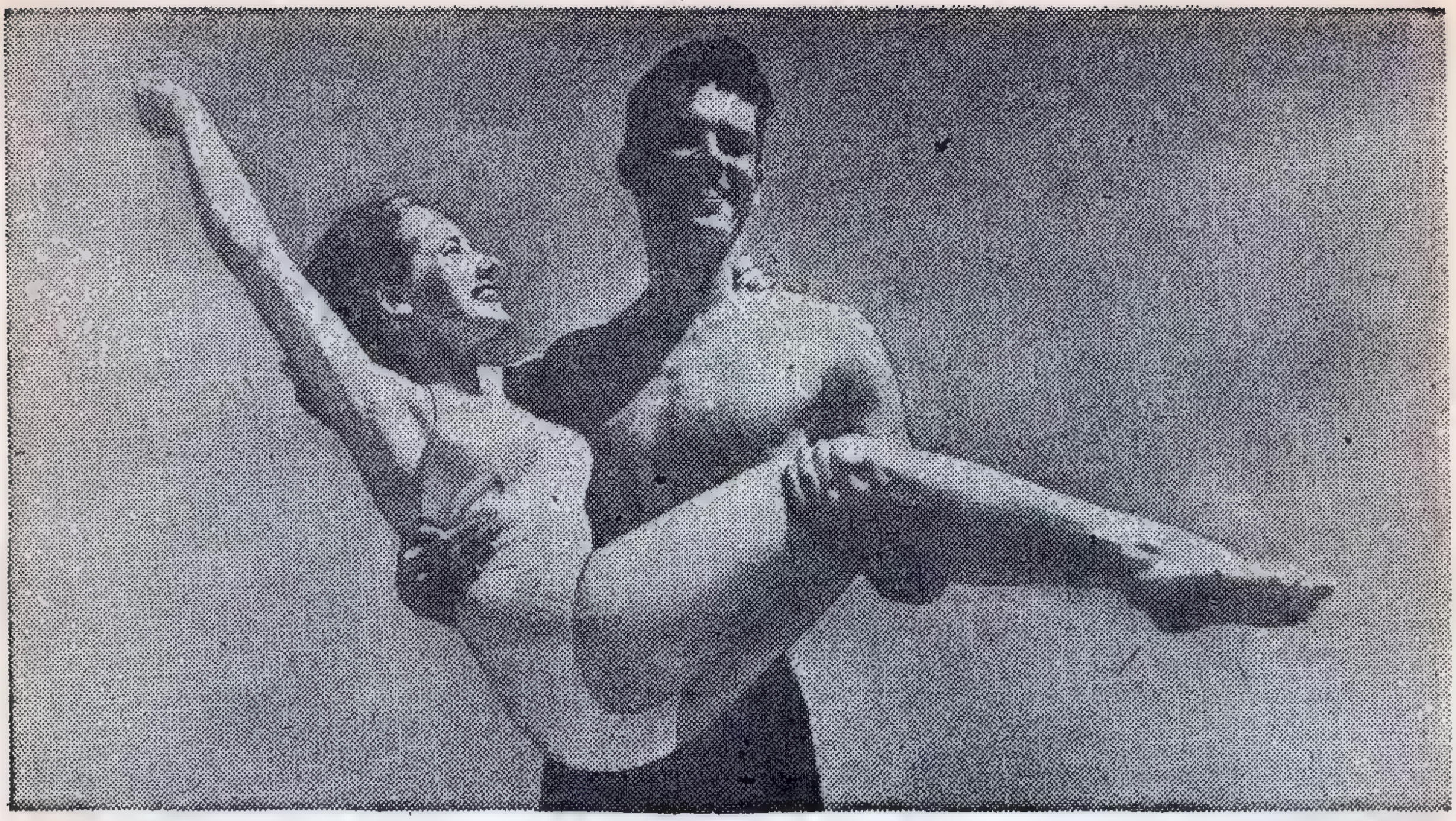

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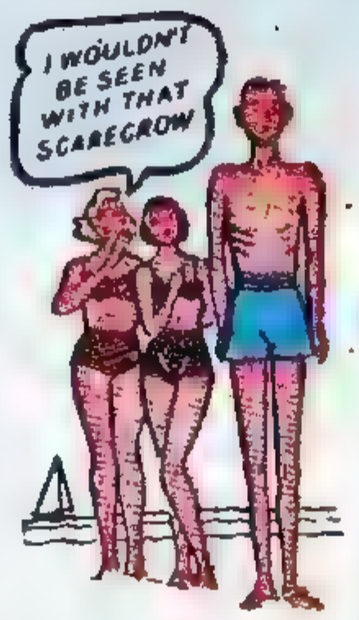

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come up. Then they all went out together to examine the battle-site.

Half an hour later, Jim Solan stood in the office of the commanding Major. Major Churchward looked keenly at the collection of weapons on his desk. Twelve rifles, a sickle and a broken sword.

"*Japanese rifles!*" The Major murmured in surprise, to his staff. "That means the guerillas have inherited a stock of munitions the Japs buried. They did that all over Korea when they lost the war."

"It was only a small cache, sir," Jim Solan said. "You'll notice not all of them had rifles. They must have stumbled on it."

"Good reasoning, Solan," the Major said. "Unfortunately we can't discover these caches ourselves all the time."

"The thing that puzzles me and the rest of the men, sir, is why the guerillas attacked just now."

Major Churchward smiled.

"Because they know we've just received in the prison compound a batch of prisoners. Among them, according to the rumor grapevine, is Major Jensuki, A Japanese renegade who went over to the North Koreans long before the Japs themselves surrendered. The grapevine says, and some of our own spies confirm, that Jensuki, whoever he is, knows the location of a big secret underground stock of Jap weapons in this very area." The Major's lips tightened. "That's why the guerillas attacked. They wanted to liberate the newly arrived batch of prisoners, find Major Jensuki among them and locate the underground cache. With that many weapons in their hands, we'd find them a serious threat behind our lines."

"You mean you think that Jensuki was a plant, that he allowed himself to be captured?" Solan asked. "So he could get south?"

Churchward nodded; his eye brow went up.

"You seem unusually interested in this case, Private Solan."

"I am sir," Jim Solan said, saluting. "My brother was a Jap prisoner after Pearl Harbor. When he came back he told me plenty about the Japs. And I've studied the language."

The Major shook his head.

"Knowing Japanese won't help you," he said. "Jensuki, by now speaks Korean like a native. And you know how tough it is sometimes to identify Japs from Koreans or Japs from Chinese. Besides, he's supposed to be a fanatical communist and very clever. It

would take a clever man to break down his defenses, force him into the open."

"I'd like to try sir," Jim Solan said. "If I may."

"Go ahead," the Major said. He walked to the window of the office, pointed down to the prison pen adjacent to the command building. "The newly-arrived prisoners are down there. Can you spot one from another just at a glance?"

Solan shook his head.

"They're alike as peas in a pod." He glanced at the Major. "If I may, Major, I'd like to see the records of these new prisoners."

The Major nodded assent and Solan went to the records room. He stayed there an hour, came back to the Major's office, saluted.

"Please have the prisoner named Pak Im Yom brought up, sir. And—I'll be back myself, in a minute, sir!" he said.

When Solan returned he found the husky prisoner under guard.

"You won't get anything out of him by word of mouth, Solan," the Major said. "He won't talk!"

"I won't have to, sir," Solan said. "All I want to do is cut his hair!"

Pak Im Yom's head came up with a snap. He made a dash for the door, was intercepted, forced into a chair. Then Jim Solan produced a pair of scissors and a safety razor. He cut the prisoner's hair very short, then shaved his head bald with the razor.

"By George!" Major Churchward exclaimed. "You've hit it!"

Jim Solan smiled.

"There was only one odd thing about those records, sir," he said. "And in only one case —Pak Im Yom's. He said he didn't care to have the regular optional haircut. The rest did. So I figured he might be hiding something on his scalp. It was an old Oriental custom to send secret messages, by tattooing them on a man's shaved scalp, then letting the hair grow, then sending the man on his way. When he arrived, the hair would be shaved and the message read. In this case, it wasn't a message, but a map of the arms cache locations!"

The Major stared at the map tattoed on Major Jensuki's head.

"We'll get that cache now, Jensuki," he said. "Before the guerillas do. As for you, your status is no longer that of a war prisoner.. You're a spy. Spies we shoot!"

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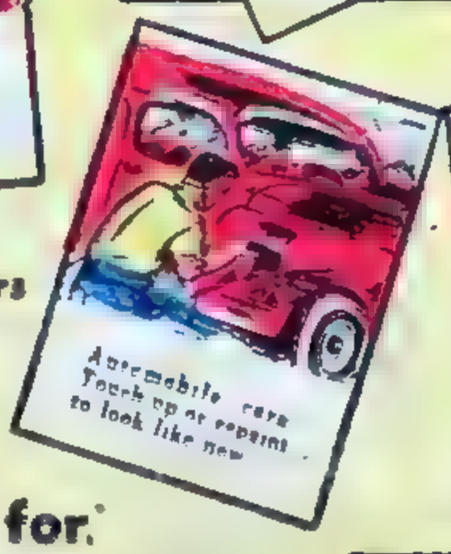

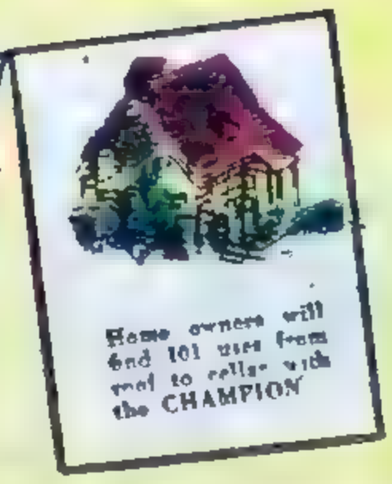

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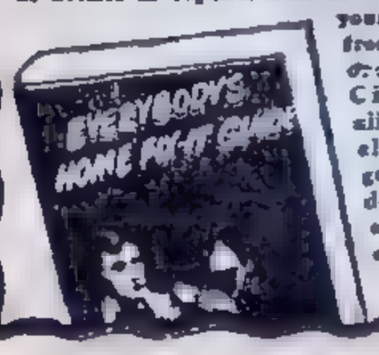

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THE FILE ON AGENT X

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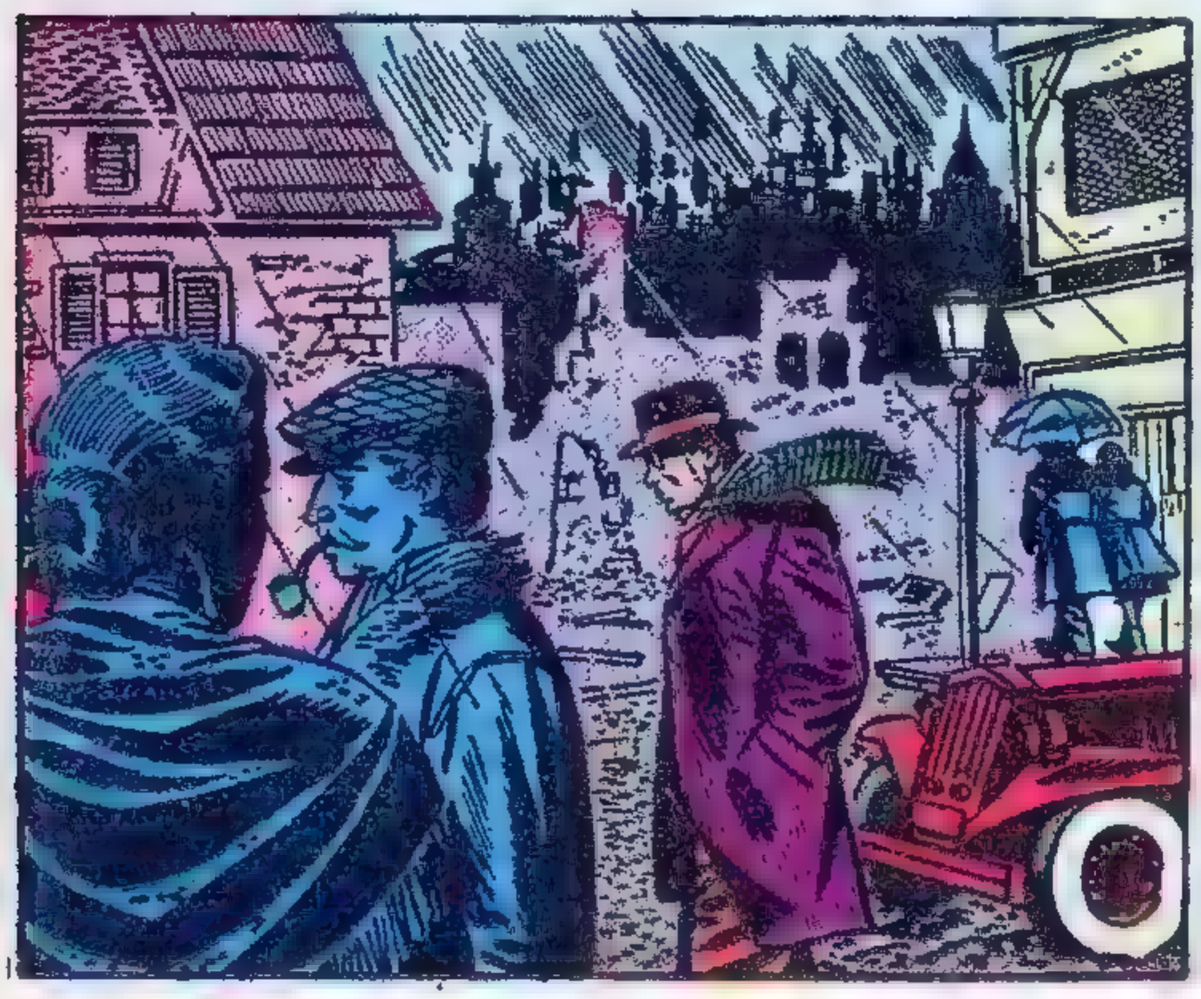

ON ONE SIDE OF THE BORDER...THE AMERICAN ZONE! ON THE OTHER...THE RUSSIAN! ALONG THIS BORDER PASSED A HODGEPODGE OF HUMANITY... BROKEN SOLDIERS, BLACK-MARKETEERS, STATESMEN, SENTRIES AND... *SPIES!!*

THIS WAS THE TIME OF THE AIR LIFT BLOCKADE...WHEN RUSSIA DID ALL SHE COULD TO STOP SUPPLIES GOING INTO THE AMERICAN ZONE...AND SPIES DID ALL THEY COULD TO HELP THE REDS...

...SPIES WHOSE POCKETS WERE LINED WITH MONEY TO BUY SECRETS FROM THE STARVED...SPIES WHO WERE SLEEK AND SMART...SPIES LIKE...

SAY! ISN'T THAT..?

AGENT X? THAT'S RIGHT! SO HE'S MOVED INTO BERLIN, I SEE! WELL, WE'RE IN FOR IT NOW!

THAT RAT OUGHT TO BE STRUNG UP!

AND HE WILL BE...IF WE CAN EVER GET ANYTHING ON HIM... BUT WE CAN'T!

WE KNOW ALL ABOUT HIM...BUT WE CAN'T GET THE GOODS ON HIM! HE'S GOT SO MUCH MONEY TO BUY INFORMATION, HE'S ACTUALLY BOLD IN HIS ACTIVITIES! HE'S ALWAYS MANAGED TO FIND THE WEAK CLERK WITH THE LEAST RESISTANCE TO MONEY... AND WORMS HIS INFO OUT OF HIM!

MEANWHILE, AS LONG AS HE'S AROUND, OUR AIR LIFT IS IN GREAT DANGER! LOOK AT HIM, THE POMPOUS RED PIG!

WONDER WHAT HE CALLS HIMSELF *NOW*? HE'S GOT A DOZEN NAMES! BUT WE KNOW HIM AS AGENT X! THERE'S PLENTY IN OUR FILES ABOUT HIM!

OH-HO?

STUPID AMERICANS! GIVING THEMSELVES AWAY LIKE THAT AS SECRET AGENTS! I CAN BUY AND SELL LICE LIKE THEM JUST LIKE...THAT!

SO THEY HAVE A FILE ON ME, EH? GOOD! GOOD! IT SHALL BE INTERESTING TO HAVE A LOOK AT THAT FILE, TO SEE JUST HOW MUCH THEY DO KNOW ABOUT ME! IF IT'S TOO MUCH...I GO TO RUSSIA! IF NOT...I STAY!..

...AND MAKE SURE THAT TOO MANY OF *THOSE* DON'T HAVE SAFE LANDINGS!

LEAVING A TRAIL OF BRIBE MONEY, AGENT X BOUGHT PRECIOUS SECRETS...

...FINANCED THE BLACK MARKET TO UNDERMINE THE STABILITY OF THE U.N. AID PROGRAM...

...AND TURNED OVER THE REPORTS AND INFORMATION TO HIS RUSSIAN SUPERIORS!

AGENT X WATCHED HIS CHANCE, AND, ONE NIGHT AT A SORDID OUT-OF-BOUNDS BAR, HE FOUND WHAT HE WAS LOOKING FOR...

YER MY PAL... HIC... MY BUDDY! MY... ZZZZzz!

TYPICAL, STUPID, GAWKY YANKEE! NO WONDER HIS SYSTEM IS TOTTERING AND COLLAPSING... WHILE THAT OF SOVIET RUSSIA MARCHES ON IN VICTORY! SUCH TRASH! GOOD THING I ARRANGED TO MEET HIM AT HIS OFFICE TOMORROW... BEFORE HE PASSED OUT!

THE NEXT NIGHT, AGENT X ARRIVED AT THE M.P. OFFICES FOR HIS BIGGEST JOB YET... TO LAUGH IN THE FACE OF THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES...

GOOD EVENING, MY FRIEND! DO YOU REMEMBER ME... AND OUR ARRANGEMENT?

HI, PAL! I SURE DO! I DRANK A LOT, BUT I REMEMBER EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED!... C'MON IN! THERE AIN'T NOBODY HERE!

THAT'S ONE THING ABOUT ME... I CAN SURE HOLD MY LIQUOR...

YES... YES! NOW IF YOU DON'T MIND... THE FILE ON AGENT X, PLEASE! WHERE IS IT?

EVEN BACK HOME IN THE HILLS, I COULD ALWAYS HANDLE IT... BUT HERE YA NEED DOUGH, AND THAT'S WHERE YOU COME IN, RIGHT?... AGENT X? I THINK YOU'LL FIND IT HERE! SAY, YOU HAVEN'T GOT A SHOT ON YOU NOW, HAVE YOU?

LATER, MY FRIEND!

OH, SURE! AND I GOT THE DOUGH TO BUY IT, TOO! THIS TIME THE DRINKS'LL BE ON ME!

YES... NOW, IF YOU DON'T MIND...

I DON'T MIND! FIND WHAT YER LOOKIN' FOR, PAL?

YES! ER... I MEAN... YES... I FOUND IT...

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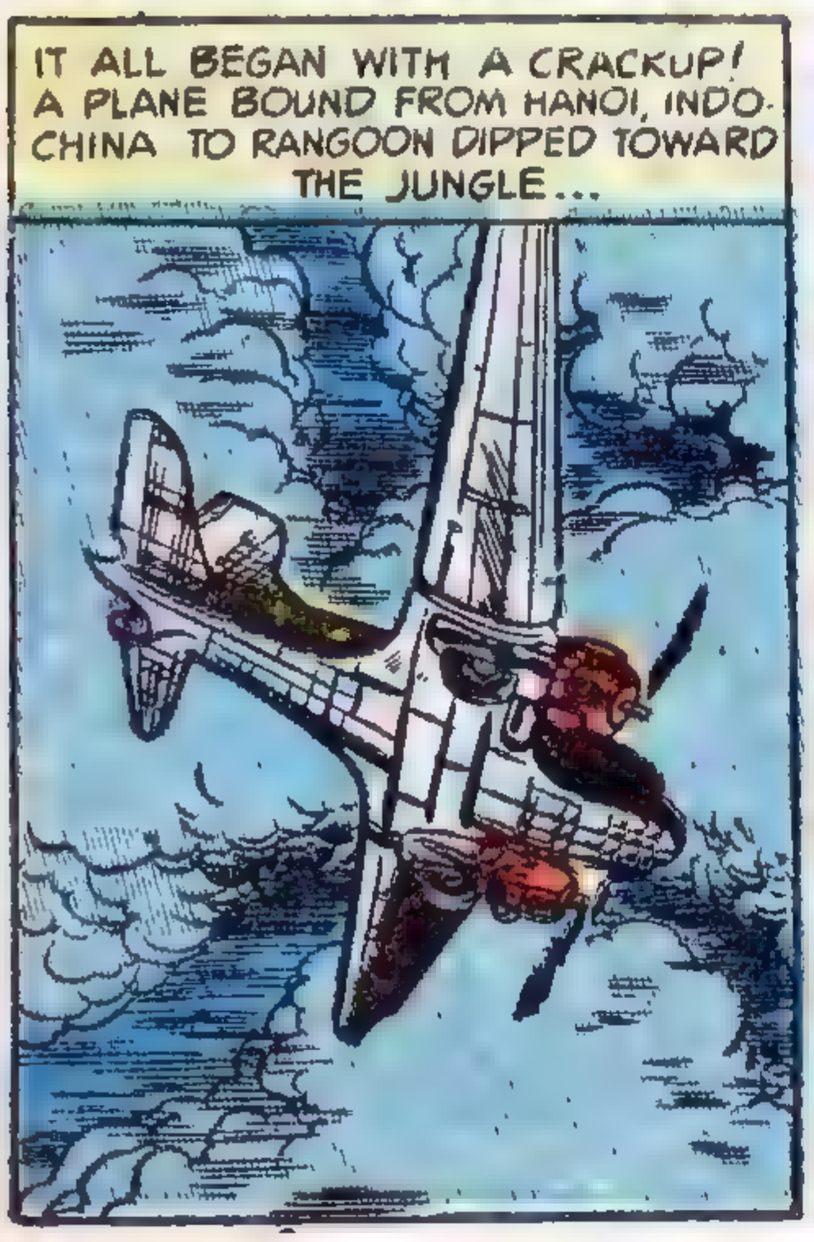

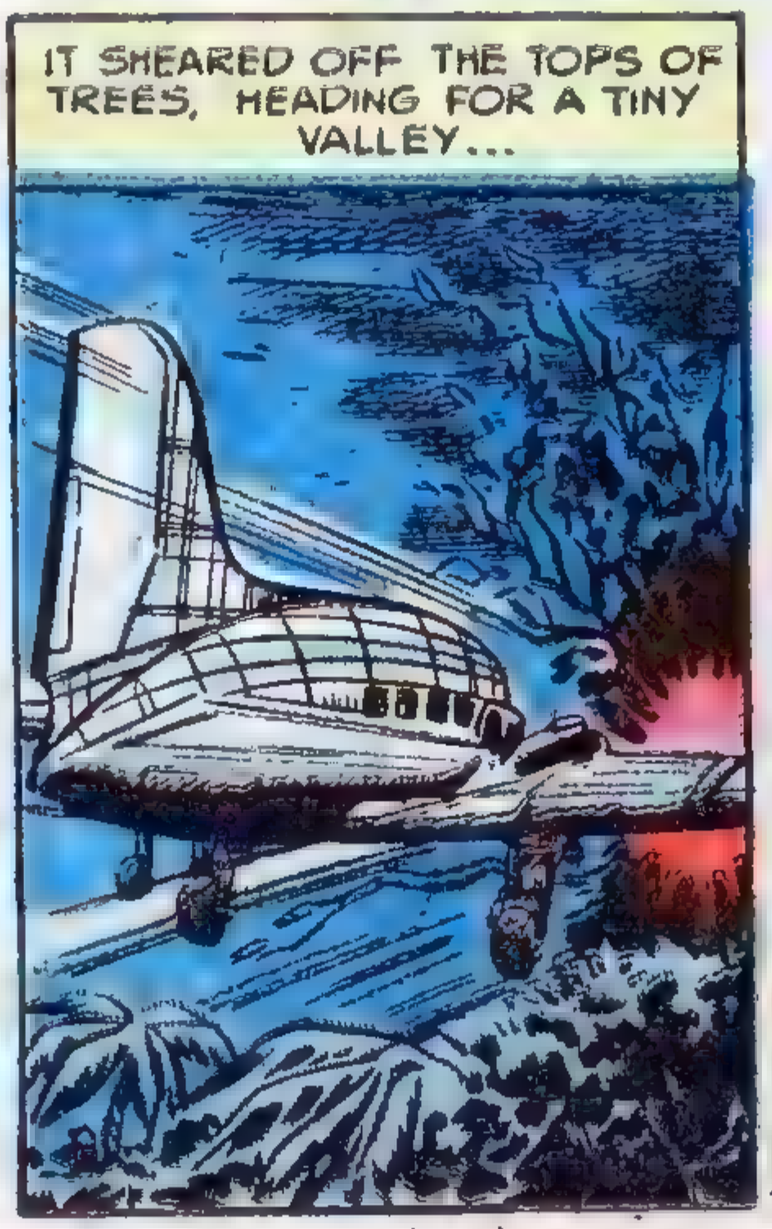

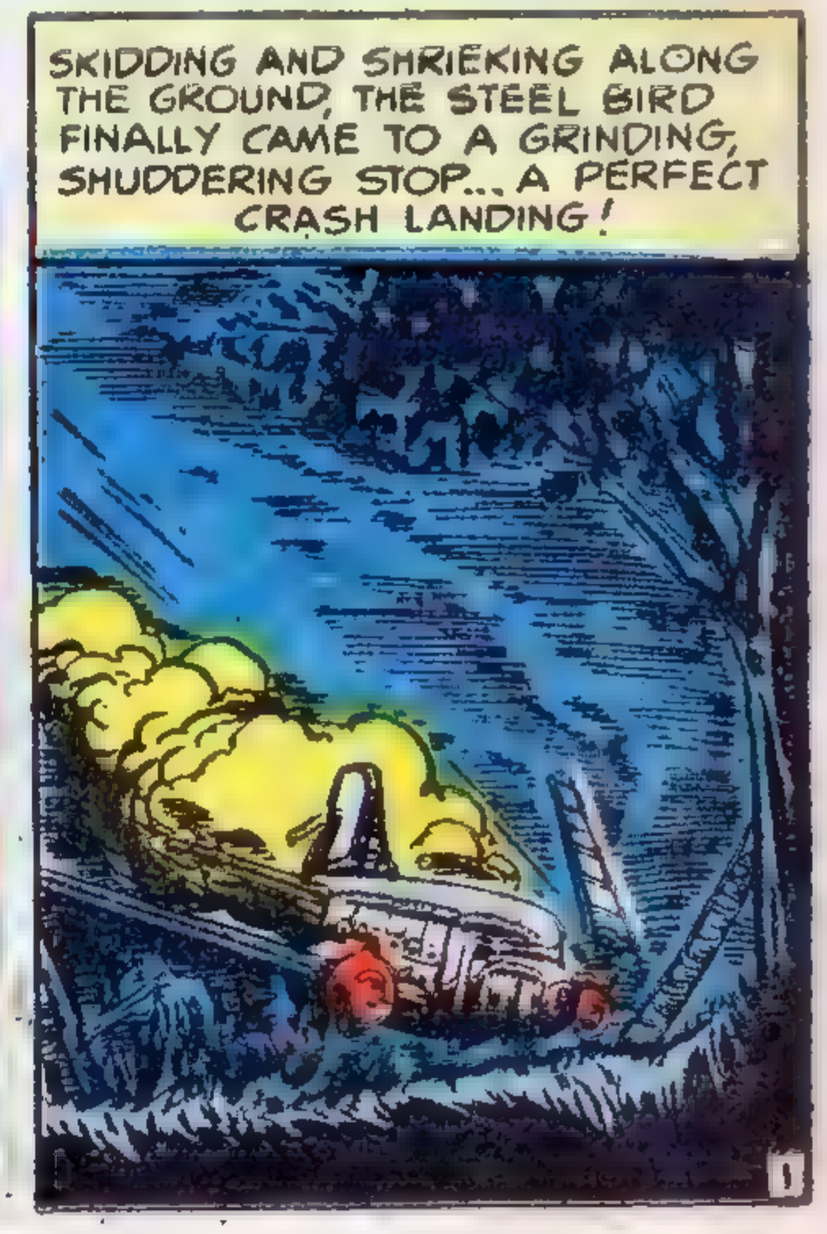

NOW IT LAY AT REST...A DOT IN THE VAST JUNGLE...ALMOST LOST IN THE FALLING SHADOWS! LOST, YES! BUT NOT *FORGOTTEN!*

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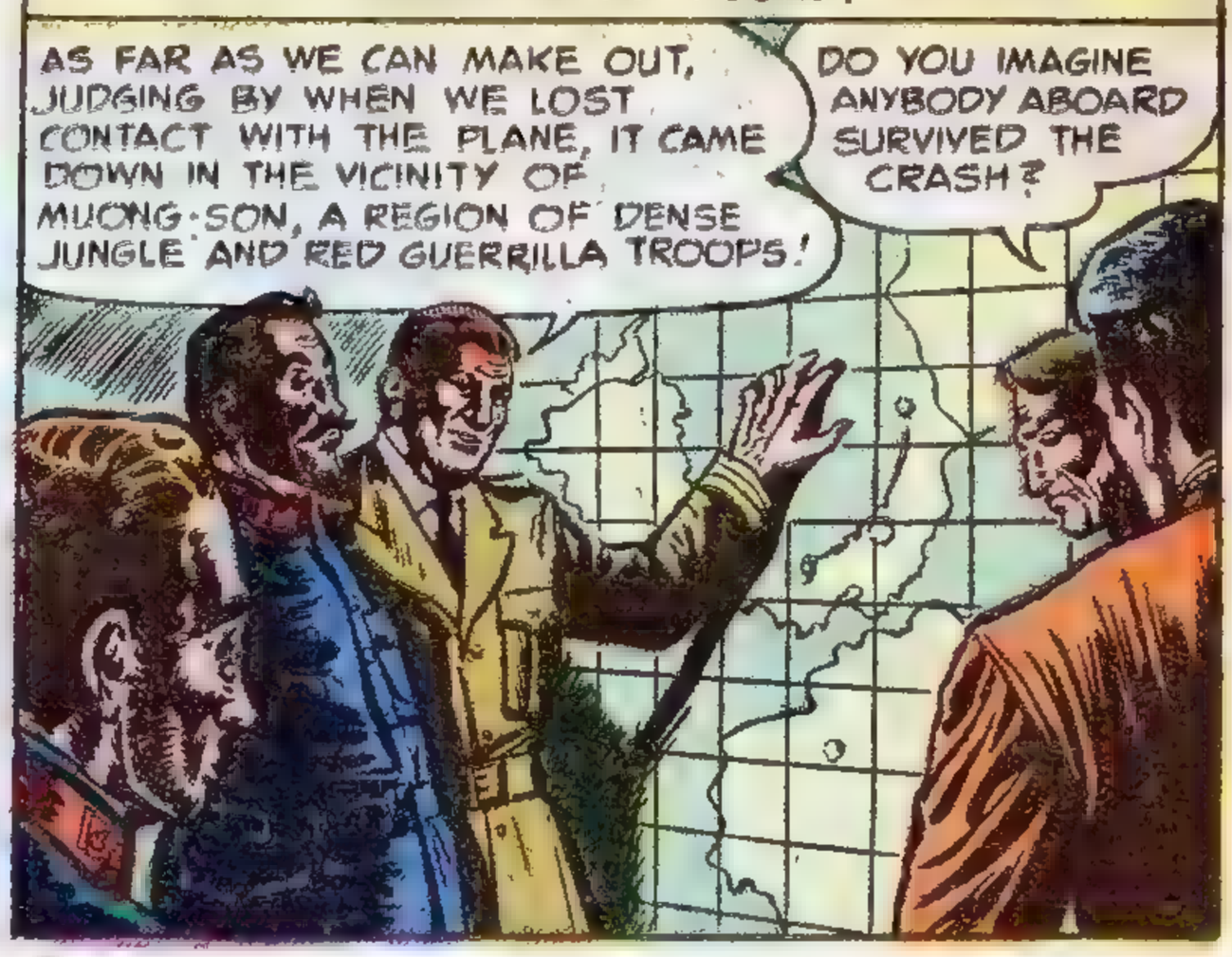

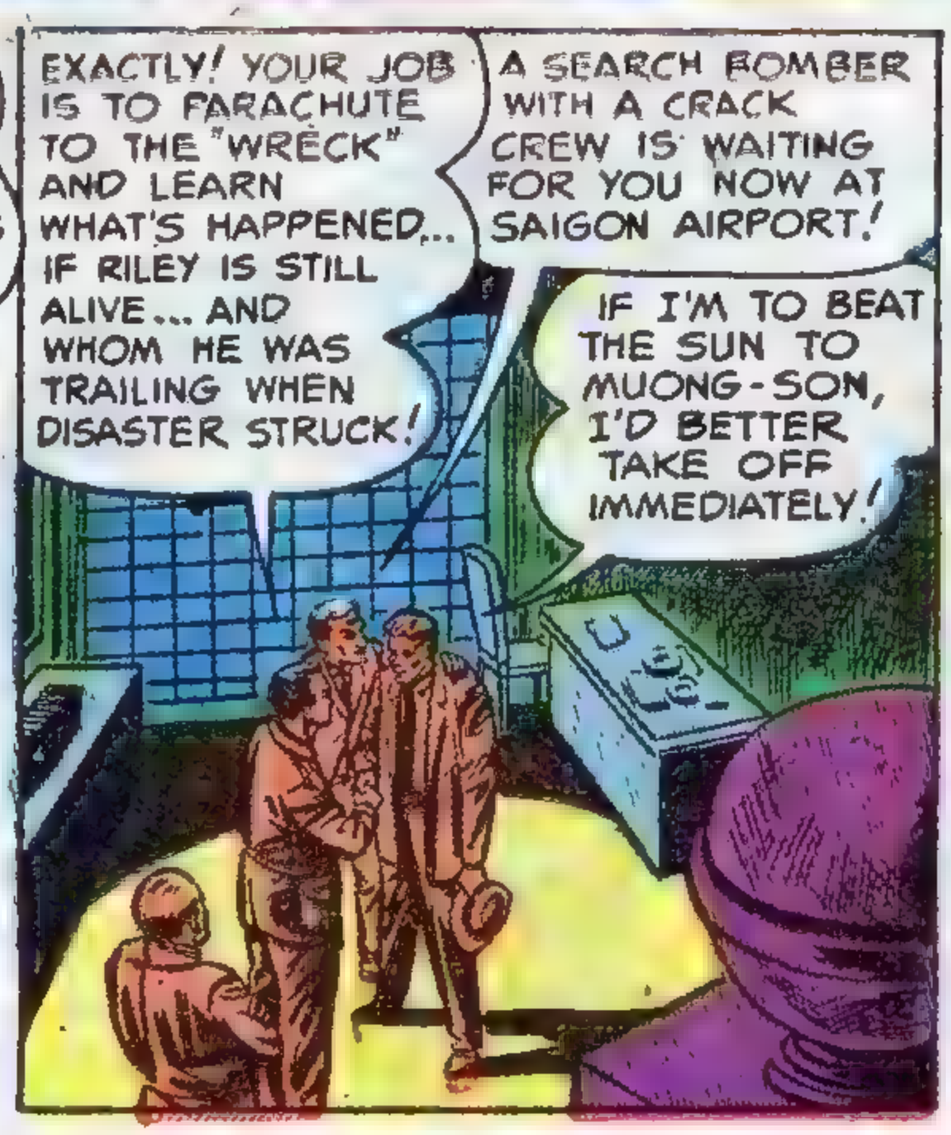

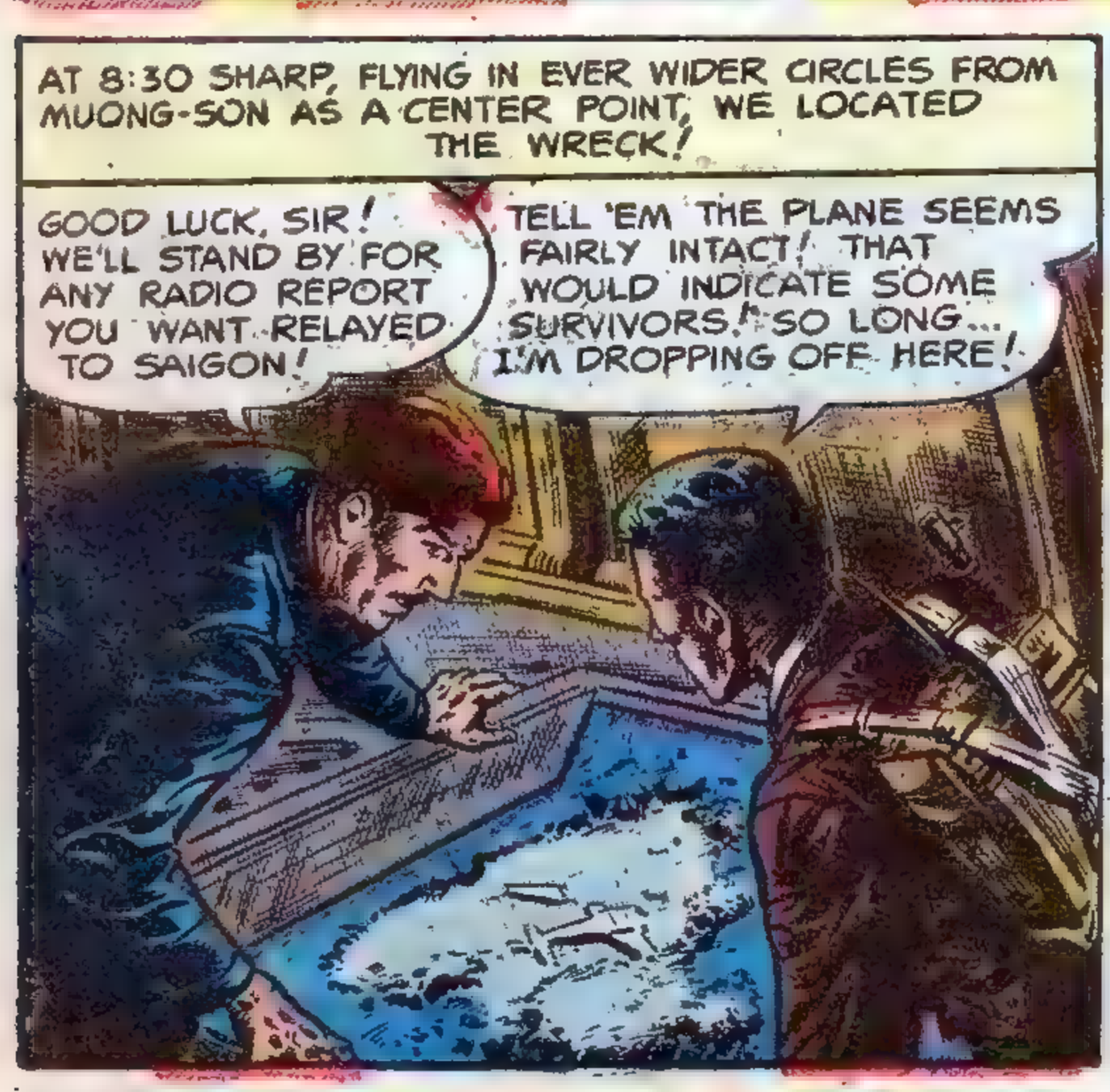

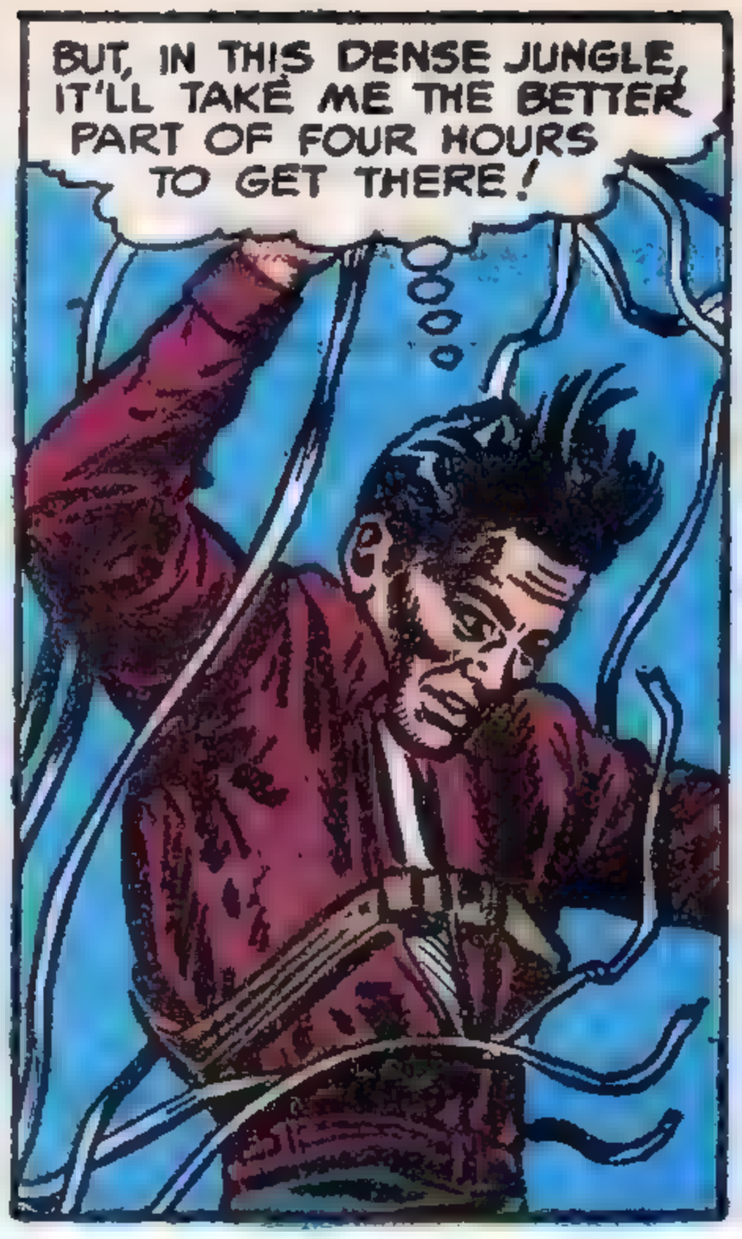

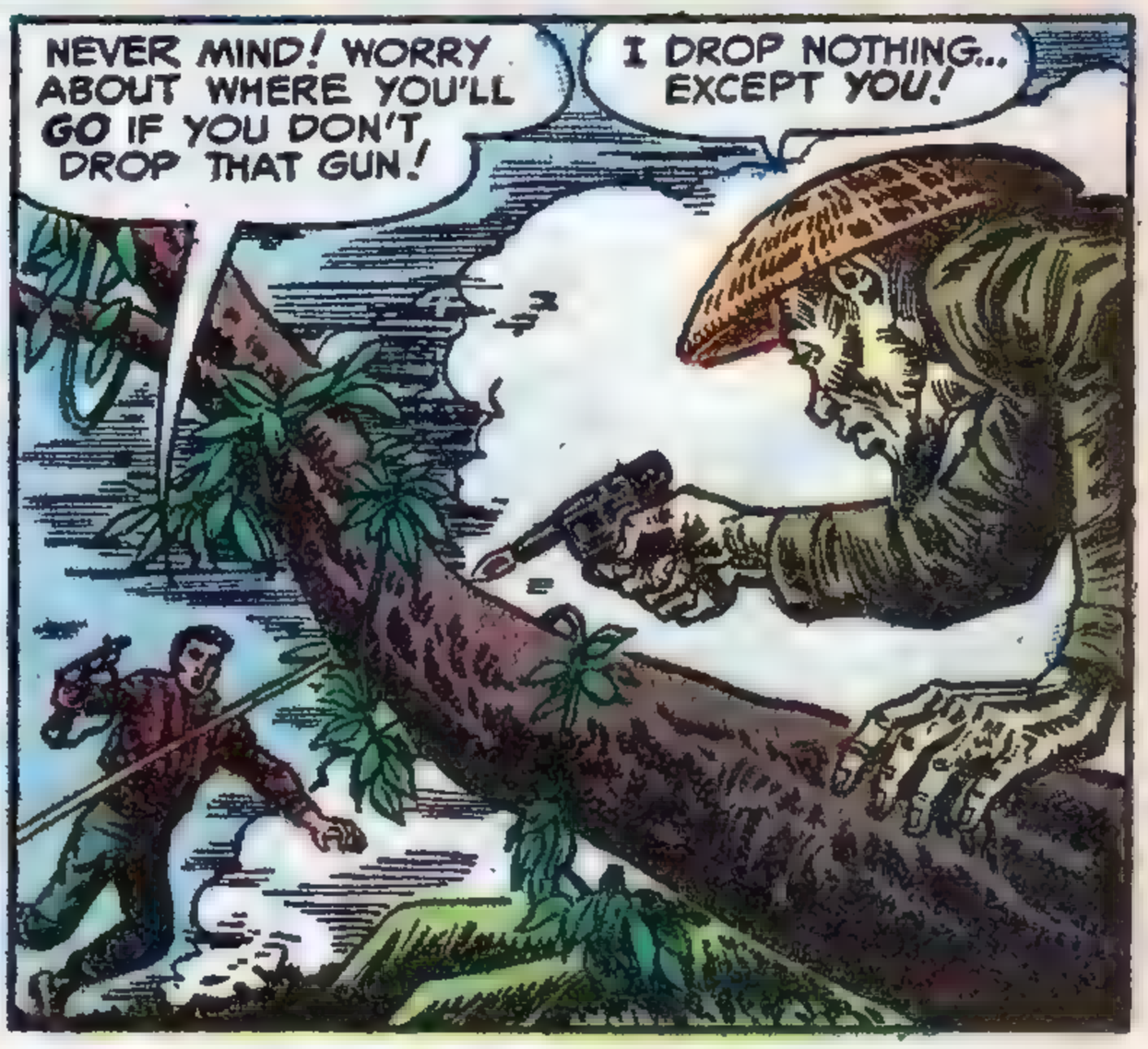

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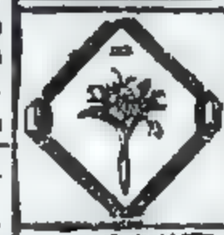

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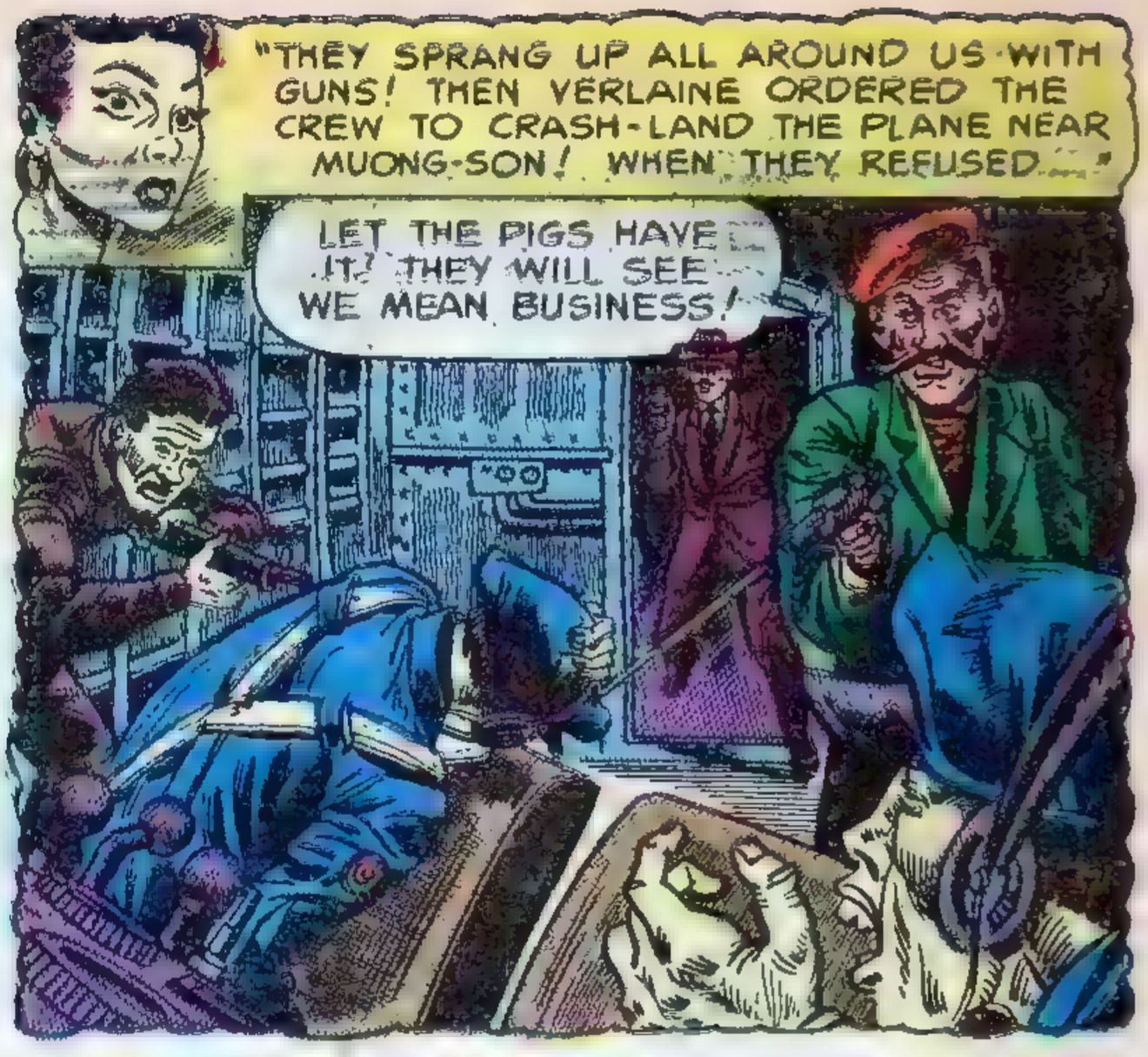
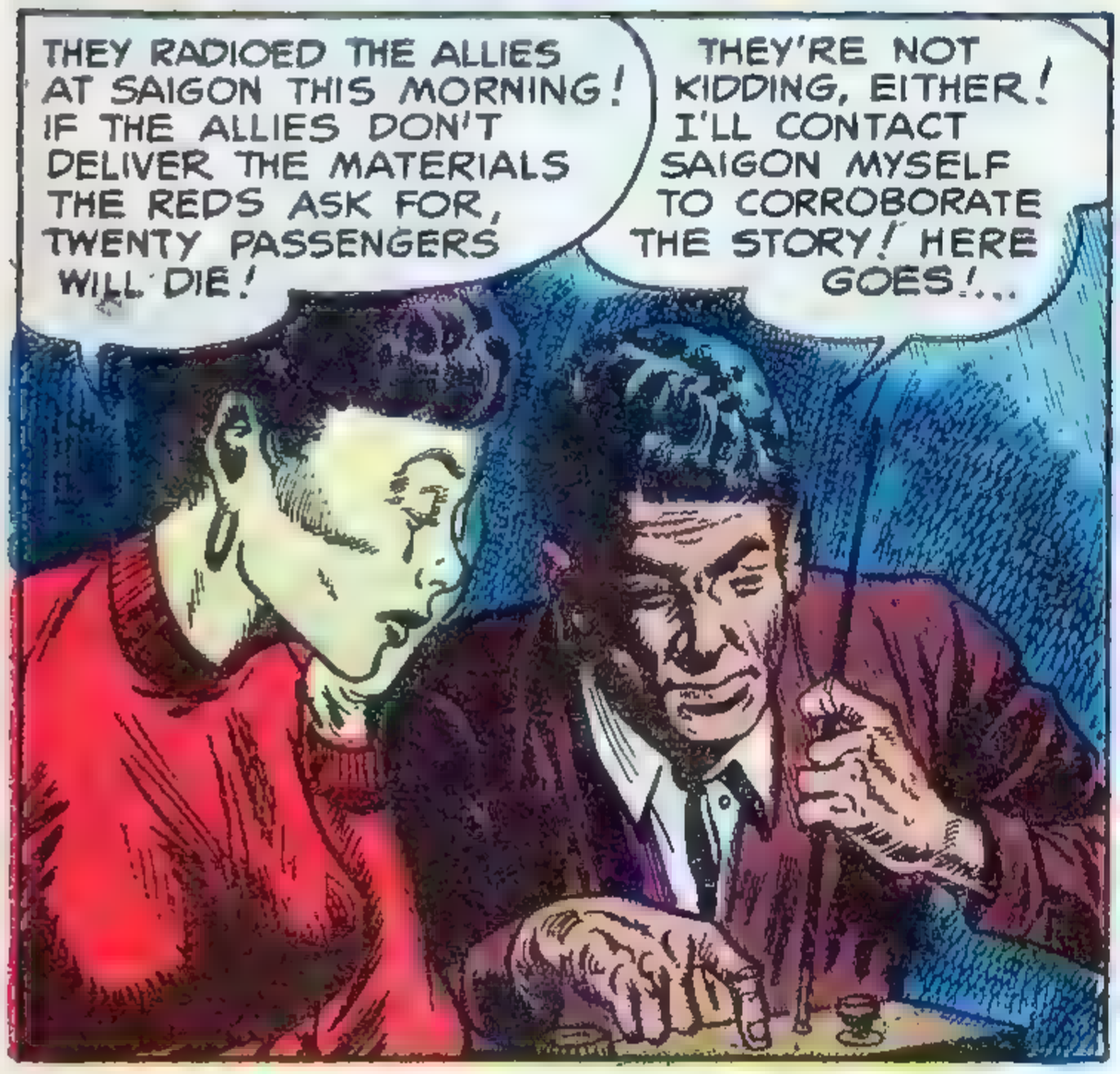
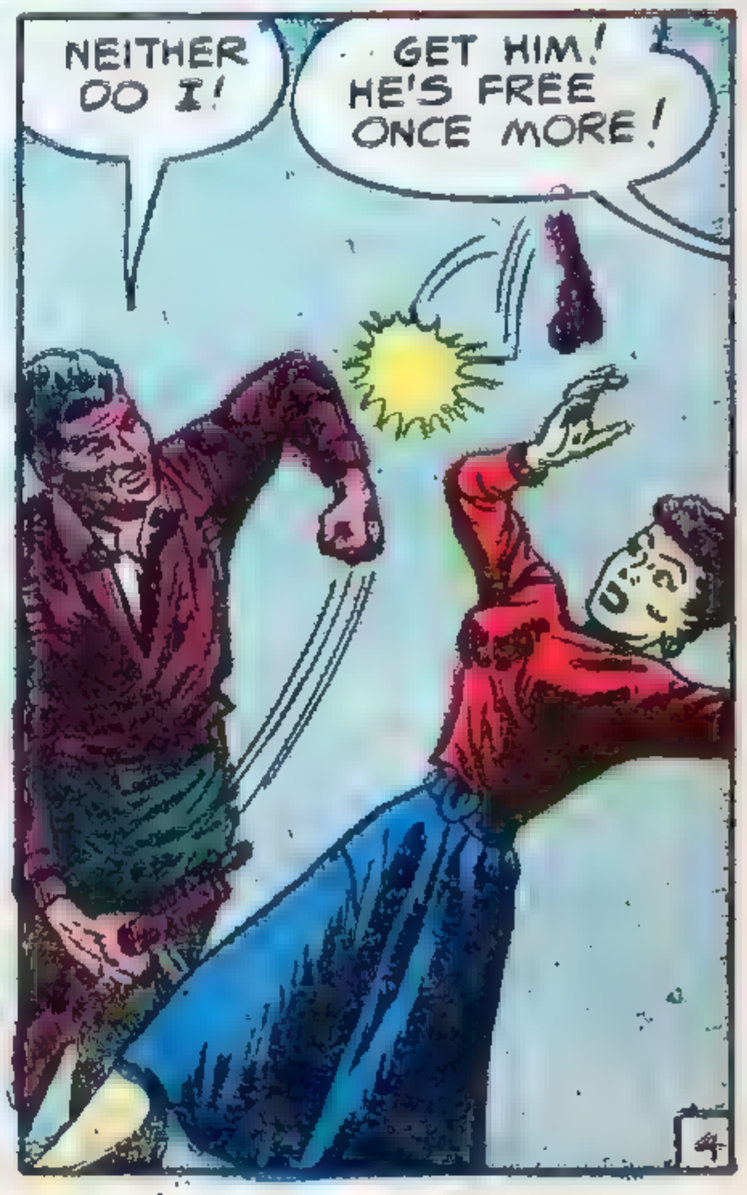

"THEY SPRANG UP ALL AROUND US WITH GUNS! THEN VERLAINE ORDERED THE CREW TO CRASH-LAND THE PLANE NEAR MUONG-SON! WHEN THEY REFUSED..."
LET THE PIGS HAVE IT! THEY WILL SEE WE MEAN BUSINESS!

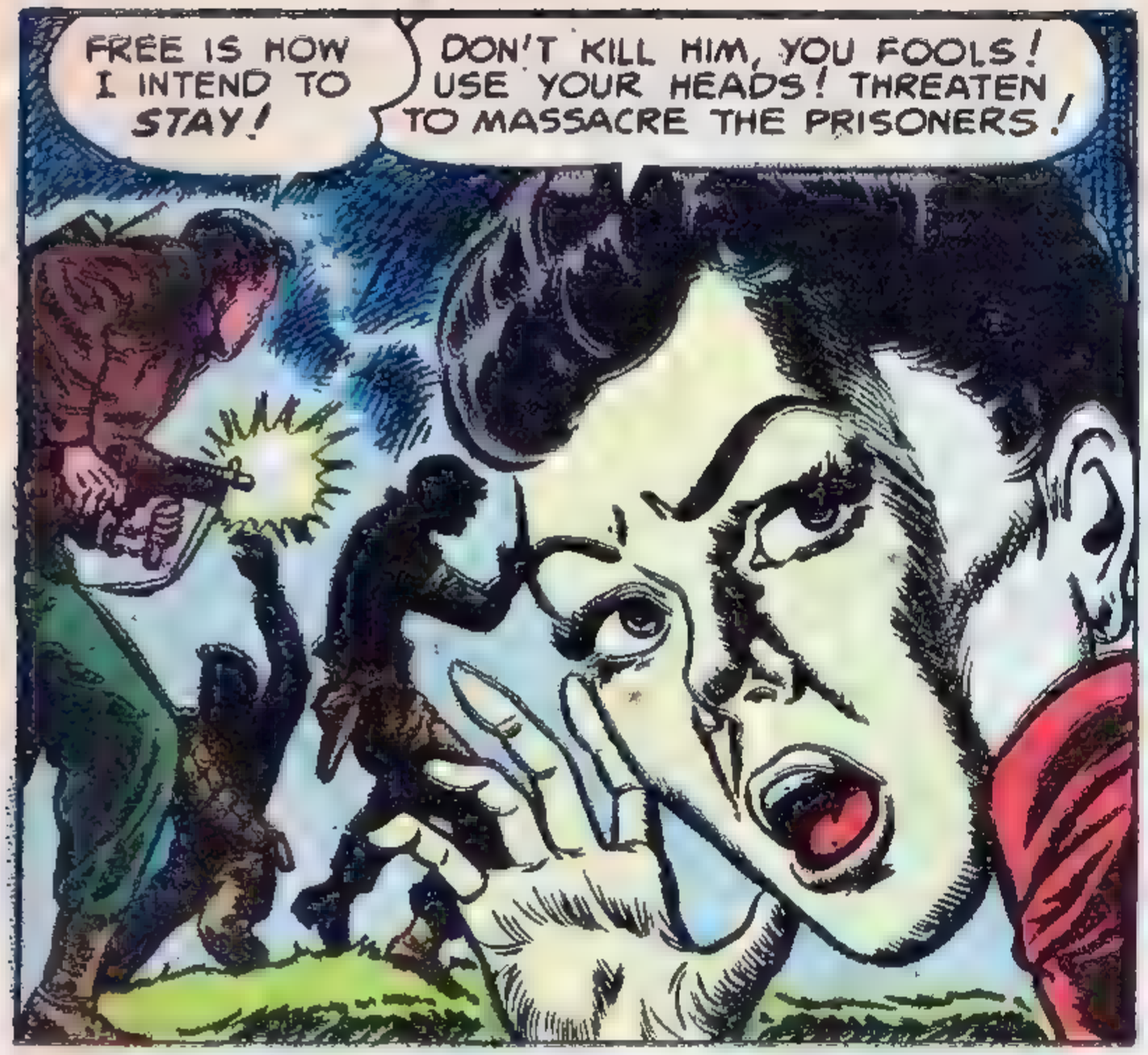

THEY RADIOED THE ALLIES AT SAIGON THIS MORNING! IF THE ALLIES DON'T DELIVER THE MATERIALS THE REDS ASK FOR, TWENTY PASSENGERS WILL DIE!
THEY'RE NOT KIDDING, EITHER! I'LL CONTACT SAIGON MYSELF TO CORROBORATE THE STORY! HERE GOES!...

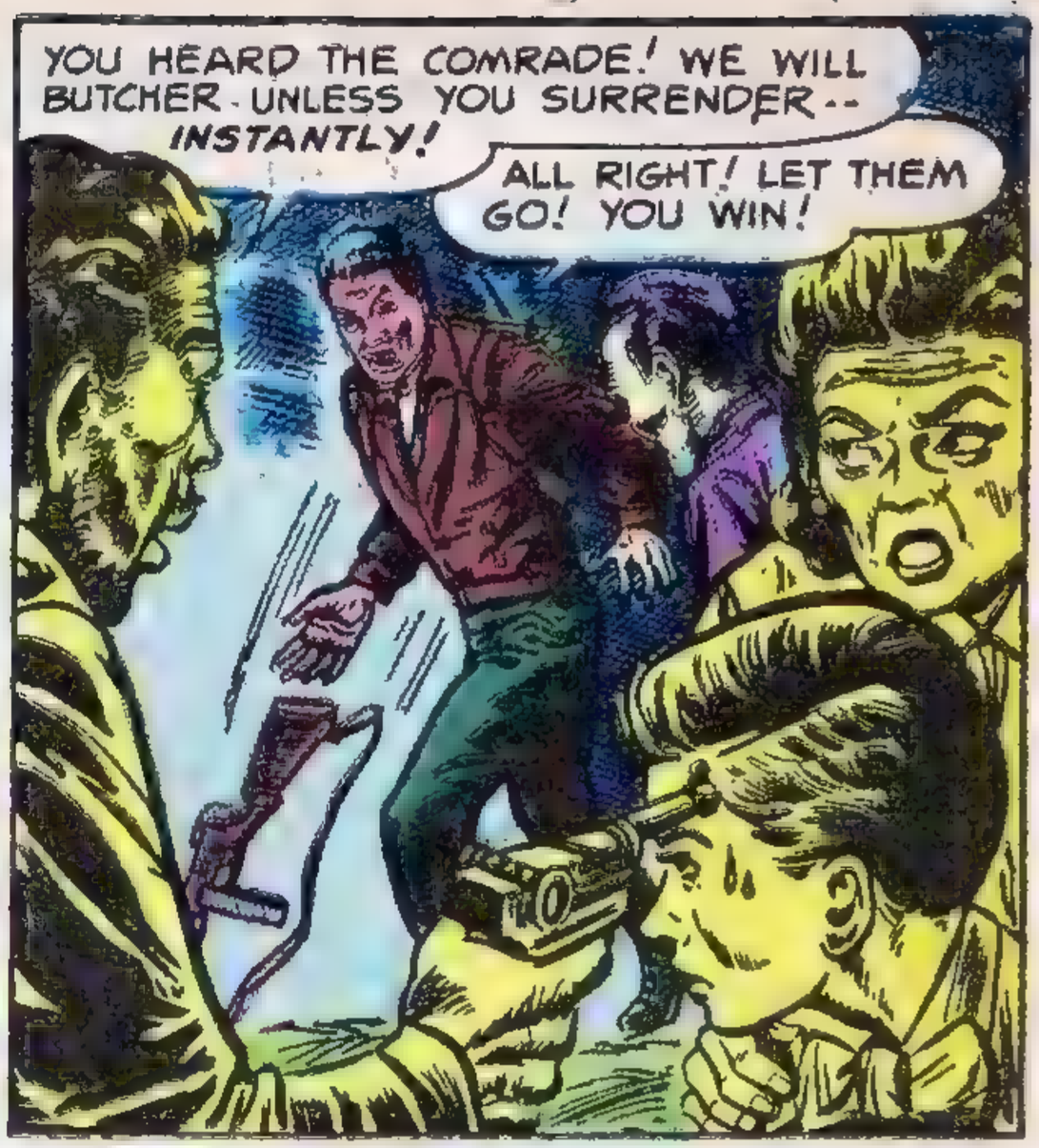
I DESCRIBED THE SITUATION TO SECRET SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, THEN REPACKED THE RADIO...
BETTER TAKE YOUR ADMIRER'S GUN ALONG! YOU MAY NEED IT!
YOU ARE RIGHT...THESE REDS WILL NOT GIVE UP EASILY! THEY ARE FANATICS! WHO ELSE BUT MADMEN WOULD ATTEMPT SUCH A KIDNAPING?

SOON WE CAME WITHIN SHOOTING DISTANCE OF THE REDS! AT THE SIGHT OF US, THEIR JAWS DROPPED TO THE JUNGLE GRASS!
GO FOR A GUN AND THE JUNGLE ANTS WILL HAVE A FEAST! RAISE YOUR HANDS HIGH AND KEEP 'EM HIGH!
GOOD ADVICE! NOW SEE THAT YOU FOLLOW IT YOURSELF!

THE NAME IS VERLAINE!... THANKS FOR KILLING THE ONE MUTINOUS FOOL WHO WANTED... NOT KISSES...: BUT MONEY! I AM THE RED "BEAST" WHO STAGED THIS KIDNAPING AND I NEVER MISS AT THIS DISTANCE!


NEITHER DO I!
GET HIM! HE'S FREE ONCE MORE!

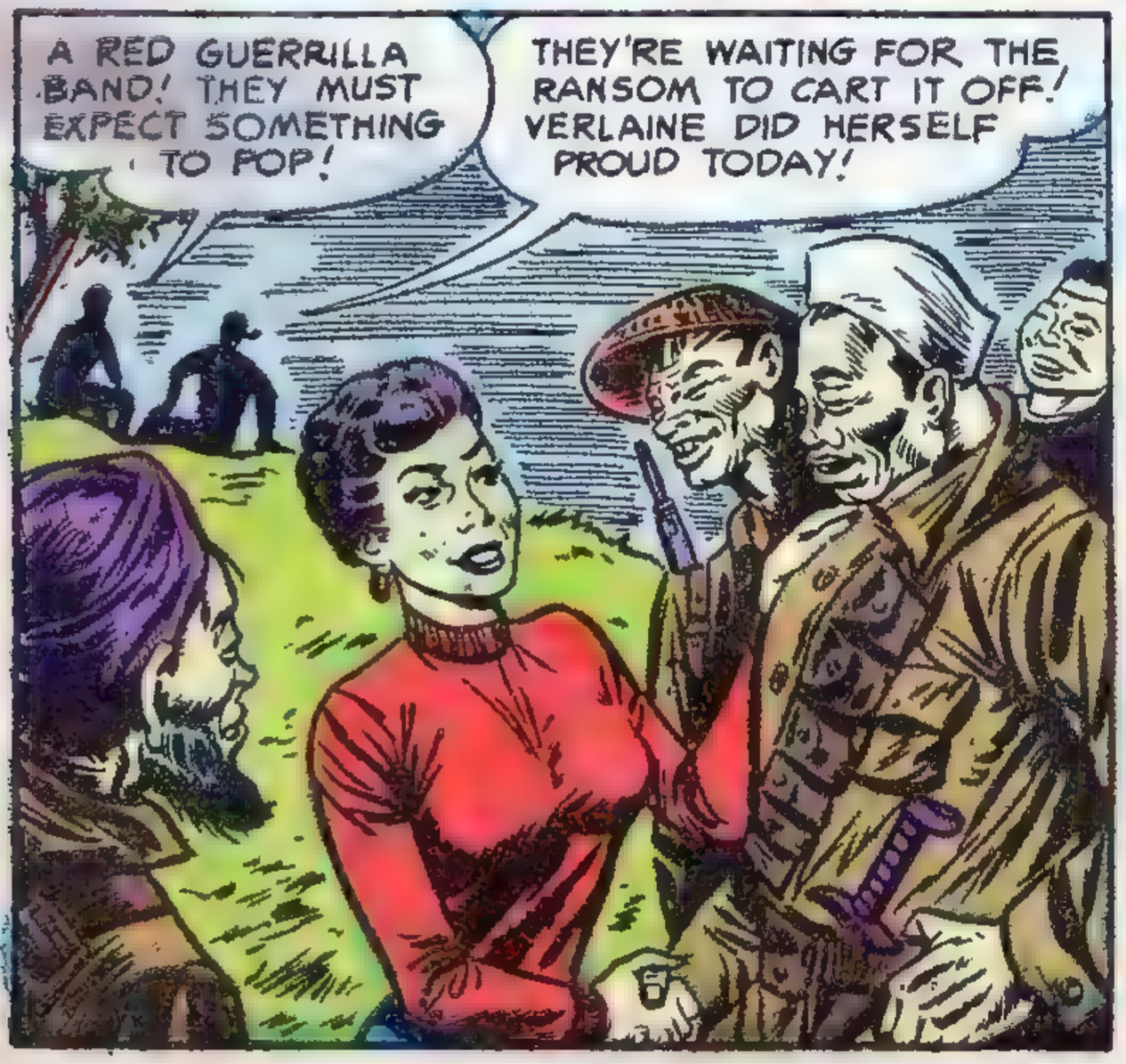

FREE IS HOW I INTEND TO STAY!
DON'T KILL HIM, YOU FOOLS! USE YOUR HEADS! THREATEN TO MASSACRE THE PRISONERS!


YOU HEARD THE COMRADE! WE WILL BUTCHER UNLESS YOU SURRENDER-- INSTANTLY!
ALL RIGHT! LET THEM GO! YOU WIN!

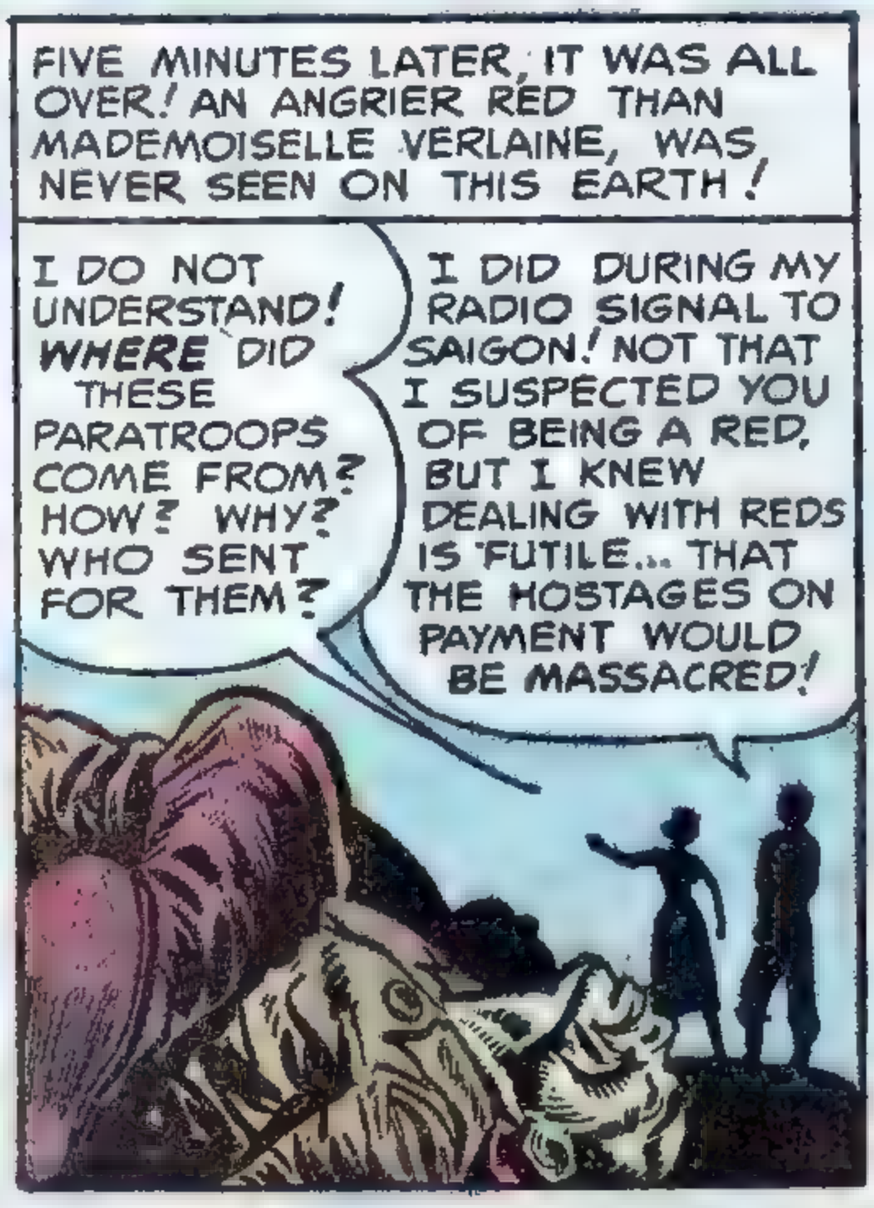
WE ALWAYS WIN! YOU AMERICANS DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT YET... BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES HAS NEVER YET LOST A WAR! BUT THEY HAVE A SURPRISE COMING!
SURE! THE SURPRISE THAT ANYBODY THINKS THEY CAN CHANGE THAT RECORD... BUT CONSIDERING THE MAD IDEALS OF COMMUNISM I AM NOT SURPRISED AT ANYTHING YOU MADMEN THINK POSSIBLE!

PIG! I WILL TEACH YOU! YOU WILL LIE IN A DITCH TONIGHT FOR THE JACKALS TO EAT! TAKE HIM AWAY!

FIVE MINUTES LATER, I MET RILEY WHO SIZED UP THE SITUATION FOR ME ... AND IN FAR FROM ROSY TERMS...
I FOLLOWED VERLAINE ONTO THE PLANE, NEVER DREAMING SHE'D TAKEN A DOZEN RED GUNMEN TO KIDNAP THE PASSENGERS!
SHE'S QUITE A GAL... SWEET AND GENTLE AS A TIGRESS WITH HUNGER PANGS! HULLO! WE'RE GETTING COMPANY!


A RED GUERRILLA BAND! THEY MUST EXPECT SOMETHING TO POP!
THEY'RE WAITING FOR THE RANSOM TO CART IT OFF! VERLAINE DID HERSELF PROUD TODAY!

TWO HOURS LATER, THERE WAS A HUM IN THE AIR!... TWO FLYING BOXCARS!
THEY'LL BE TOASTING HER IN PEIPING TONIGHT! THE FOOLS! DID THE ARMY REALLY THINK SHE'D RELEASE US IF THEY DELIVERED THE RANSOM?
SAVE YOUR BITTERNESS, RILEY! JUST KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE JUNGLE, NOT THE SKY!



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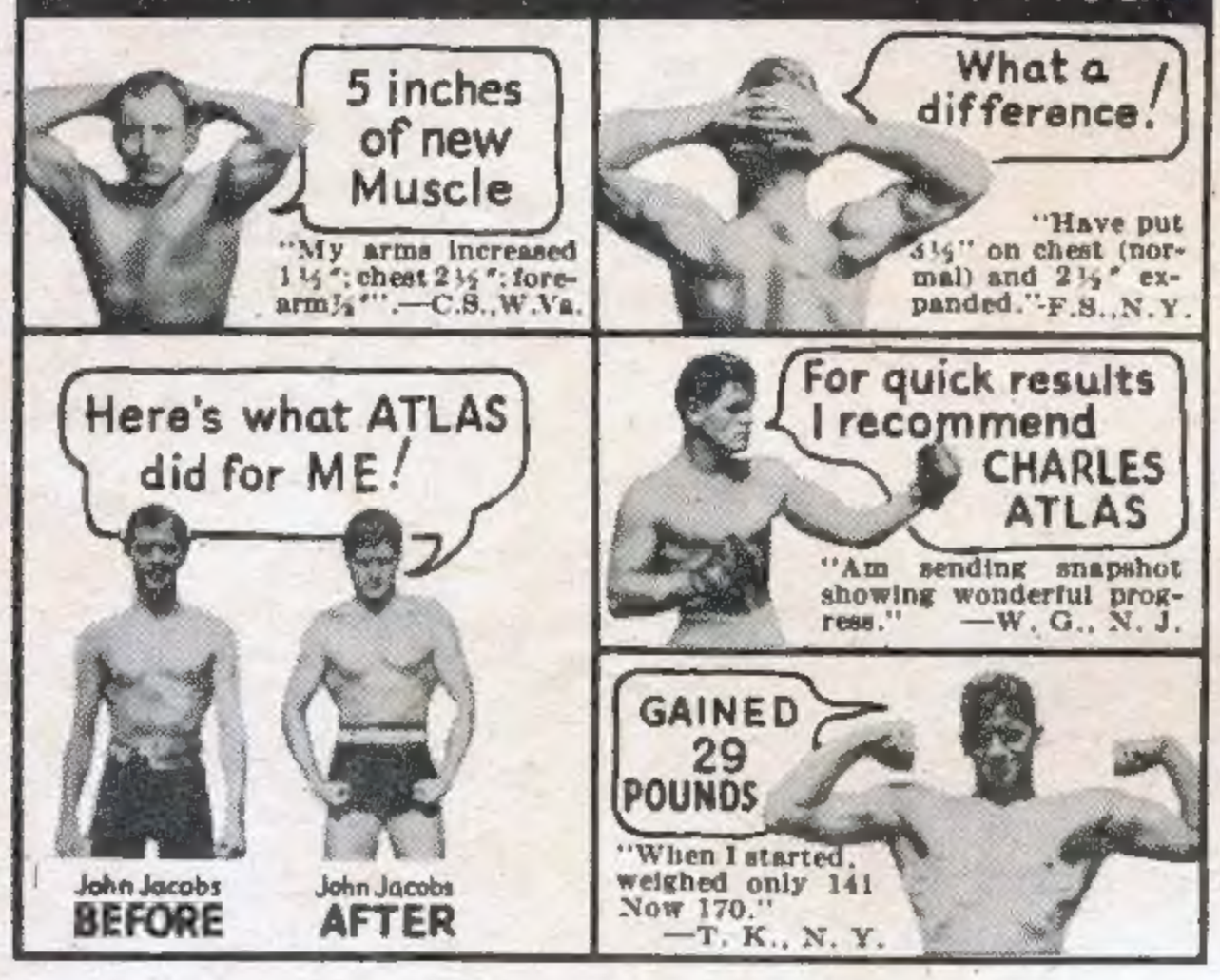

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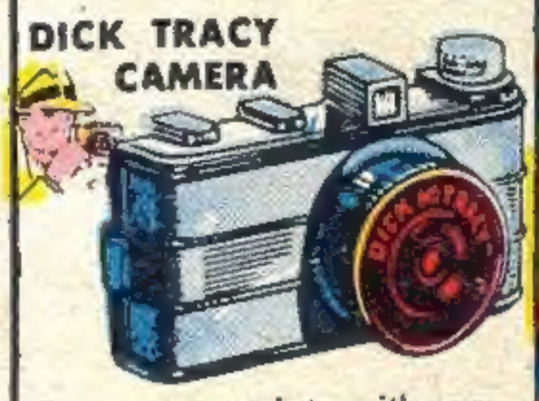

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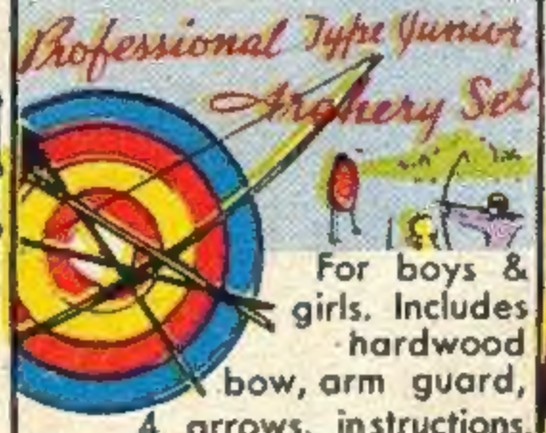

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